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## Town still debating ice rink plans, future



By **LIZZY HILL**  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — More than 30 Wilmington Youth Hockey parents and community members attended the Wilmington Ice Rink and Recreation Facility Committee meeting this past Monday night to show support around a potential ice rink facility in Wilmington.

The main topic of discussion for the committee regarded an update after several conversations with Ristuccia Memorial Arena owner Richard Gallant. Gallant bought the Ristuccia ice rink in 2019.

Ice Rink Committee Chair Mark DiGiovanni shared that the committee typically inquires annually with Gallant to see if he's opened to working with the town. In the past few months, he's indicated interest to DiGiovanni in discussing the rink with them.

DiGiovanni expressed some of the ideas from a meeting in April with Gallant, Town Manager Jeff Hull, Select Board member Kevin Cairra, and himself where they explored the town's interest in a potential second sheet of ice. At this meeting, Gallant also mentioned that he'd be reviewing the property, the current rink, and the feasibility of a second rink.

With the committee conveying their interest, Gallant moved forward with this review and reached out for another meeting in July.

During the July meeting, the group walked through the existing space and reviewed the current conceptual plans. DiGiovanni described how the tour went through the lobby, the snack shack area, the offices, and the TV interview rooms, and at that point they reviewed the conceptual drawing. After that, they walked around the facility including the locker rooms, old equipment storage space, the old Bruins locker room, the skate sharpening area, the physical therapy tub, the training room, the existing gym, and the old track and containers of equipment outside.

DiGiovanni included that the presentation for the meeting invitees showed two separate entrances. The existing rink would be renovated, and there'd be a new rink towards the front of the building connecting in a T. The new rink wouldn't have as much seating, but there would be a balcony area added.

Gallant's current concept planned to the new rink for smaller teams and the existing rink for high school games or other significant events. He suggested that the market rate of renting the sheets would remain about the same as the market rate charged to the town currently.

Hull shared with the committee that he'd detailed to Gallant some of the process going forward with his plans, including providing site plans to the Planning Board, seeking out the Director of Planning and Conservation,

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Members of the public and Wilmington Youth Hockey packed the room for the Ice Rink Committee's latest meeting. The group continues to debate whether the town should work with the owner of Ristuccia Arena or build its own ice rink. (Lizzy Hill photos)

By **LIZZY HILL**  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The latest Wilmington Select Board meeting included presentations of the 168 Lowell St. affordable unit lottery, communications and requests, and the town manager's performance evaluation.

Kristen Costa, the lottery agent for 168 Lowell St., explained the process for the lottery and asked the board to grant the chair the ability to execute the agreement on behalf of the

board. The agreement would specify restriction of resale, the initial sale price, and what else can and can't happen with the affordable units.

The lottery, she described, is picked after applications are processed for eligibility and entered in. Local residents will be placed in the pool for the three local preference units and the separate pool for the other two units, while everyone else will only be in the pool for the two units. Each applicable applicant will receive a ballot number. Then, the numbers will be pulled, and the final list will be adjusted with preference to larger household sizes.

Kevin Cairra commented that it seems unfair to preference larger households.

Costa shared that she often receives as few as 10 eligible applicants. She also described situations where she has to go to the backup list.

"The chances are slim but not none [that a single person could win the lottery]," she said.

The board voted to approve the chair's authority to execute the agreement.

Town Manager Jeff Hull briefly introduced the articles for the special Town Meeting warrant: two similar articles seeking funds for the senior center and the town hall/school administration building.

He then shared his own letter to the board on the most recent senior center building committee meeting, where they considered recommendations for

trimming the cost but narrowed them down to using a different patio surface and possibly scrapping the emergency generator. Another note to the board from Hull shared the receipt of additional grant funds to go toward the Frank Kelly track.

Cairra wrote to the board reporting on the town hall/school admin building committee, which received an estimate of more than \$37 million with or without WCTV equipment. This reflected the OPM's services, architecture, design, construction, IT, and more services, along with an adjustment for inflation.

The board received a flyer from Samantha Cavanaugh informing them of the 7th annual Substance Abuse Candlelight Vigil on

Sept. 19 at 6:30 p.m. on the town common. There was also a letter from Bryan Perry with an update on Munis, the new invoicing system.

DPW Director Jamie Magaldi wrote to the board detailing efforts taken related to vehicular speed on Nichols Street, onto which Select Board Chair Judy O'Connell added. O'Connell shared that part of the issue with statistical analysis for the area is that the RMV would make the speed limit reflect the average of 32.7mph, which could increase the speed limits. Magaldi's other note shared progress in spending ARPA funds.

The board included a letter written to Michael Busby, for 79 Nichols St., with all of their feedback and

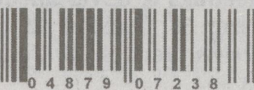
resident comments they received about the proposed project. Hull said that the town had yet to receive any response to this letter.

They approved all of the requests received: The Recreation Commission's annual Horribles Parade for Oct. 30; Wilmington Methodist Church and Boy Scout Troop 56 licenses to sell Christmas trees; executing the agreement with the AFSCME; executing the Memorandum of Agreement with WCTV; lighting the town common pink in October for breast cancer awareness; a carwash for WHS girls lacrosse in April; and signs to be put up on the town common for the Harvest and Holly Fair and the Shredding Event.

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Wilmington Library News:

Drop off gently used Halloween costumes from Sept. 26 - Oct. 7

**Adult Programs**

**INDOOR**

**Cooking Demonstration with Lisa**

Monday, Sept. 26, 2:30 p.m.

Get a sneak peek at October's cookbook for Cook-in' the Books and watch Lisa demonstrate a recipe from Back Pocket Pasta by Colu Henry as we kick off Italian Heritage Month.

**HYBRID**

**DEI Book Group**

Monday, Sept. 26, 7 p.m.

This group continues the work started with the library's antiracism series. Instead of discussing the entire book, the group will read a select number of chapters per month to allow for more in depth conversation. Featured Book: The Authority Gap by Mary Ann Sieghart. Chapters for this meeting: Introduction through Chapter 4 (82 pages).

**INDOOR**

**Drop-In Tech Help**

Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 1, 2 p.m.

Have a tech question that's been bugging you? Stop by Drop-in Tech Help.

**VIRTUAL**

**Creative Writing**

**Skills Group**

Tuesday, Sept. 27, 7 p.m.

Learn and apply creative writing tips, tools, and techniques shared by published authors and other writing experts. Open to all who want to improve their creative writing skills and get their work published. Led by local writing enthusiast, Barbara Alevras. If you are interested in attending this event, please e-mail the Adult Services Librarian at [adultservices@wilmlibrary.org](mailto:adultservices@wilmlibrary.org). Please include the title of the program in the subject heading. This event will be held over Zoom. You will receive an invite from the presenter prior to the program date.

**INDOOR**

**Well Read Wednesday Book Group**

Wednesday, Sept. 28, 7 p.m.

This book group discusses contemporary books, both fiction and non-fiction, led by Library Director Tina Stewart. Copies of the book are available at the library. Featured book: Iron Lake by William Kent Krueger.

**INDOOR**

**Needleworkers**

Friday, Sept. 30, 10 a.m.

This is a social group for those who do any kind of

needle craft. Bring your knitting, crocheting, quilting, etc. and enjoy a little conversation and camaraderie. Drop in.

**VIRTUAL**

**Fiction Critique Group**

Saturday, Oct. 1, 9:15 a.m.

Love writing fiction? Whether you are drafting a short story or a novel, joining our Critique Group is a great opportunity to meet other writers and get constructive feedback in a supportive environment. Open to all experience levels writing in all genres. Led by local writing enthusiast, Barbara Alevras. If you are interested in attending this event, please email the Adult Services Librarian at [adultservices@wilmlibrary.org](mailto:adultservices@wilmlibrary.org). Please include the title of the program in the subject heading. This event will be held over Zoom. You will receive an invite from the presenter prior to the program date.

**Youth Programs**

**INDOOR**

**Kids Costume Exchange Drop Off!**

Monday - Saturday, Sept. 26 - Oct. 1, All Day

Kids grow fast! Donate your old costumes anytime between Sept. 24 and Oct. 7, then come back on Sat-

urday, Oct. 8, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. for a costume exchange and pick out a new-to-you costume! All Ages

**INDOOR**

**Wilmington Community Playgroup**

Monday, Sept. 26, 10 a.m.

The Community Teamwork Family Resource Network is back for a weekly playgroup! Join us for our community playgroup where we will work on Early Literacy skills and much, much more! Ask us about any resources we can help provide for you and your family! Ages 0-8

**INDOOR**

**Ed the Wizard: Aerodynamic Airplane STEM Program**

Monday, Sept. 26, 6:30 p.m.

Join Ed the Wizard for this STEM activity based on Aerodynamic Airplanes! Participants will learn about aerodynamics and the history of flight as they assemble their own airplane. As these models are launched by using air pressure and arm strength, they may be launched either indoors or out, as weather permits. No chemicals or smoke inducing accelerates are used. Grades 2+

**INDOOR**

**Game On!**

Tuesday, Sept. 27, 7 p.m.

Play a number of board games under the guidance of gaming enthusiast Scot Crispin. All are welcome. Ages 12+

**INDOOR**

**Robotics Team Demonstration**

Thursday, Sept. 29, 3:30 p.m.

The Wilmington High School Robotics Team will lead an interactive session with their robot, where participants can drive the robot, practice putting the various pieces together, and see the robot code! Join us for this exciting event. Grades 4-8

**INDOOR**

**Music with Dara**

Friday, Sept. 30, 10 a.m.

With keyboard, felt board, finger puppets, and engaging visual props, Dara weaves songs (old and new favorites), fingerplays, rhythmic activities/simple instrument playing, and creative movement for a fun-filled musical 30-45 minute program. Lots of clapping, marching, singing, creative expression and FUN! This program is designed for the 2-5 year old child, but older and younger children will enjoy it too! Ages 2-5

**INDOOR**

**Teen Gaming Club**

Friday, Sept. 30, 3:30 p.m.

Hang out and play Switch games after school with other middle and high schoolers! Grades 6-12

**WML**

**In-Person Programming**

Registration is required for most in-person programs. Please check our website on the day of the program to confirm location. Masks are no longer required for vaccinated patrons while visiting the library.

**WML**

**Virtual Programming**

The library continues to offer a variety of virtual events. Please note that registration is required in order to receive the Zoom link. Go to [wilmlibrary.org](http://wilmlibrary.org) to register or call 978-658-2967.

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RMLD hosts Open House

READING — In recognition of National Public Power Week (Oct. 3-9), Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD) invites customers to attend an Open House on Thursday, Oct. 6 from 3 to 6 p.m. at RMLD's Garage located at 218 Ash St., Reading.

This fun and educational event will feature a touch-a-truck event, face painting, balloon art, a caricaturist, kid's games and prizes, pumpkin decorating, a lineman dress-up activity, an electric vehicle showcase, and more. RMLD staff will offer education on electricity, electrical safety, energy conservation, and information about rebate and efficiency programs.

"As a municipally-owned public power utility, we're proud to provide safe, reliable, and affordable electricity to the communities we serve," said RMLD Interim General Manager Greg Phipps. "Public Power Week is a celebrated

community event that we are thrilled to bring back after a two-year hiatus due to the COVID 19 pandemic. We are grateful for this opportunity to directly engage with the public, provide family-friendly entertainment, and educate our customers about our ongoing decarbonization efforts."

Public Power Week is an annual national event to celebrate the more than 2,000 community owned, not-for-profit utilities that provide electricity to 49 million Americans.

**About RMLD**

Established in 1894, Reading Municipal Light Department (RMLD) is a municipal electric utility serving over 70,000 residents in the towns of Reading, North Reading, Wilmington, and Lynnfield Center. RMLD has over 30,000 meter connections within its service territory.

Wilmington residents to participate in Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk

WILMINGTON — 12 residents from Wilmington will participate in the Boston Marathon® Jimmy Fund Walk presented by Hyundai on Sunday, Oct. 2.

Meredith Doucette, Jessica Segal Hassy, Melissa Lucas, Cathy Beers, Tricia Jackson, Brad Jackson, Shawn Benzel, Aubrey Doucette, Mike Cable, Diana Benzel, and two Wilmington residents along with thousands of other walkers, will participate in the iconic annual event that will unite the community to raise funds to support all forms of adult and pediatric care and cancer research at the nation's premier cancer center, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. The Jimmy Fund Walk has raised more than \$155 million for Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in its 33-year history.

Isabel Doucette, age five, will participate as a Walk Hero for the Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk. Heroes are matched with Jimmy Fund Walk teams to give participants an opportunity

to connect with patients. Isabel was diagnosed with B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia. Isabel's family walks on her Match Team, Shine like Isabel.

"I love singing, dancing, biking, and swimming," Isabel says. "I have two awesome sisters, Leah, and Aubrey. I'm starting kindergarten in the fall."

"Throughout the past 33 years, the Jimmy Fund Walk has continuously supported life-saving research and cancer care at Dana-Farber. And the pandemic didn't stop us," said Zack Blackburn, Director of the Jimmy Fund Walk. "Over the past two years, participants walked virtually and celebrated in their own unique ways. Now, we welcome them to walk the course in person. We are back, we are together, and we are stronger than ever."

Participants have the flexibility to choose from four distance options: 5K Walk (3.1 miles from Dana-Farber Cancer Institute), 10K Walk (6.2 miles from Newton), Half Marathon Walk (13.1 miles

from Wellesley), or Marathon Walk (26.2 miles from Hopkinton). Participants can also choose to join the event virtually by "walking their way" from wherever they are most comfortable — in their neighborhood, on a favorite hiking trail, or on a treadmill at home. Virtual programming and supporting materials are available.

Along the course, walkers are treated to 12 refueling stations as well as poster-sized photographs of patients — Jimmy Fund Walk Heroes — displayed at each mile and half-mile marker as inspiration. All four routes of the Jimmy Fund Walk end at the Copley Square Finish Line Powered by Schneider Electric with a celebration complete with food, music, and a speaking program.

To register for the Jimmy Fund Walk (#JimmyFundWalk) or to support a walker, visit [www.JimmyFundWalk.org](http://www.JimmyFundWalk.org) or call (866) 531-9255. Registrants can enter the promo code NEWS for \$5 off the registration fee. All regis-

tered walkers will receive a bib, medal, and a Jimmy Fund Walk T-shirt.

About the Jimmy Fund

The Jimmy Fund, established in Boston in 1948, is comprised of community-based fundraising events and other programs that, solely and directly, benefit Dana-Farber Cancer Institute's lifesaving mission to provide compassionate patient care and groundbreaking cancer research for children and adults.


The Jimmy Fund is an official charity of the Boston Red Sox, the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association, the Pan-Mass Challenge, and the Variety Children's Charity of New England. Since 1948, the generosity of millions of people has helped the Jimmy Fund save countless lives and reduce the burden of cancer for patients and families worldwide.

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**It's Your Money**

by Todd Brisbois



**COMMON TAX SCAMS AND TIPS TO HELP TAXPAYERS AVOID THEM**

In recent years, tax schemes and scams have been on the rise. Con artists work year-round which means taxpayers must remain vigilant to avoid being victimized. Here are some tips to help people recognize and avoid some of the most common tax-related scams.

**Email phishing scams:** The IRS does not initiate contact with taxpayers by email to request personal or financial information. Generally, the IRS first mails a paper bill to the person who owes taxes. In some special situations, the IRS will call or come to a home or business. Taxpayers should not open any attachments, click on any links, reply to the sender, or take any other actions that could put them at risk.

**Phone scams:** The IRS generally first mails a bill to the taxpayer who owes taxes. There are specific ways to pay taxes. The agency and its authorized private collection agencies WILL NOT:

- Leave pre-recorded, urgent, or threatening messages on an answering system.
- Threaten to immediately bring in local police or other law enforcement groups to arrest the taxpayer for not paying, deport them or revoke their licenses.
- Call to demand immediate payment with a prepaid debit card, gift card or wire transfer.
- Ask for checks to third parties.
- Demand payment without giving the taxpayer an opportunity to question or appeal the amount owed.

Criminals can fake or spoof caller ID numbers to appear to be anywhere in the country. Scammers can even spoof an IRS office phone number or the numbers of various local, state, federal or tribal government agencies.

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Town Clean-Up Day in Wilmington on Oct. 15

WILMINGTON — The Wilmington Conservation Commission invites businesses and residents of all ages to share a few hours of their time and participate in the annual Town Clean-up Day on Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022, rain or shine.

The Conservation Commission is seeking volunteers and leaders to help beautify Wilmington's

parks and conservation lands by removing litter and debris. Trail maps can be found on the Planning and Conservation Departments website.

Help beautify our town by contacting us to be a volunteer, a volunteer team leader, or simply show up to a site of your choice. Contact us for more information regarding supplies that can be picked up prior

to Oct. 15 in the Planning & Conservation Department (Room 6) at Town Hall.

Please dress appropriately for woods and wetlands and remember to wear sunscreen and insect repellent. Please watch out for poison ivy and other hazards.

If you are unable to participate on Oct. 15, you can enjoy the town's resources and help keep

them beautiful anytime you like. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

For more information, please contact the Department of Planning & Conservation at (978) 658-8238, email the Conservation Agent, Cameron Lynch at [clynch@wilmingtonma.gov](mailto:clynch@wilmingtonma.gov), or visit <https://www.wilmingtonma.gov/planning-conservation/pages/2021-town-clean-day>.

News and notes from WCTV

Hello friends and neighbors! Here's what's going on at WCTV!

**CALLING ALL WILMINGTON YOUTH**

Saturday Morning Sessions are back!

WCTV's Saturday Morning Youth Program is back! This time around we will be doing 3 seasonal sessions: fall, winter, and spring! The fall session will begin on Sept. 24 and run on: Sept. 24, Oct. 1, Oct. 15, Oct. 29, Nov. 5,

Nov. 19, & Dec. 3 from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m. There will be eight spots for kids ages 9+. The cost is \$150 per student. If you're interested, please go to [wctv.org/youth](http://wctv.org/youth) to download your registration form now or if you'd like further information, please contact Ashley Stevens — Youth and Media Director at: [ashley@wctv.org](mailto:ashley@wctv.org). All sessions will be held at WCTV studios, 10 Waltham St., Wilmington.

**Meetings covered by WCTV:**

Monday, Sept. 26, 7 p.m. Board of Selectmen

View on channels: Comcast 9, Verizon 37

Thursday, Sept. 29, 6 p.m. ALICE presentation —for parents (Zoom)

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## Tewksbury, Wilmington

## Firefighters graduate from Mass. Firefighting Academy

STOW — State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey and Deputy State Fire Marshal Maribel Fournier, acting director of the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy (MFA), today announced the graduation of 26 firefighters from the 50-day Career Recruit Firefighting Training Program.

"First responders are on the frontlines protecting their communities, and these newest firefighters are needed now more than ever," said State Fire Marshal Ostroskey. "The rigorous professional training they've received provides them with the physical, mental, and technical skills to perform their jobs effectively and safely."

The recruits of Class #304 trained at the MFA's

Stow campus and represent the 13 departments of Acton, Attleboro, Billerica, Blackstone, Chelmsford, Dracut, Gardner, Lexington, Plainville, Tewksbury, Westford, Wilmington, and Woburn.

## Basic Firefighter Skills

Students receive classroom training in all basic firefighter skills. They practice first under non-fire conditions and then during controlled fire conditions. To graduate, students must demonstrate proficiency in life safety, search and rescue, ladder operations, water supply, pump operation, and fire attack. Fire attack operations range from mailbox fires to multiple-floor or multiple-room structural fires. Upon successful



▲ Wilmington's Matthew Stone

▲ Tewksbury's Branden Tanguay

completion of the Recruit Program all students have met the national standards of National Fire Protection Association 1001 and are certified to the level of Firefighter I and II, and Hazardous Materials First Responder Operational Level by the Massachusetts Fire Training

Council, which is accredited by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications.

## Today's Firefighters Do Far More than Fight Fires

Today's firefighters do far more than fight fires. They train to respond to

all types of hazards and emergencies. They are the first ones called to respond to chemical and environmental emergencies, ranging from the suspected presence of carbon monoxide to fentanyl overdoses or a gas leak. They may be called to rescue a child who has fallen

through the ice or who has locked himself in a bathroom. They rescue people from stalled elevators and those who are trapped in vehicle crashes. They test and maintain their equipment including self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), hydrants, hoses, power tools, and apparatus.

At the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy, they learn all these skills and more, including the latest science of fire behavior and suppression tactics, from certified fire instructors. They also receive training in public fire education, hazardous material incident mitigation, flammable liquids, stress management, and self-rescue techniques. The intensive, 10-week program for municipal firefighters involves classroom instruction, physical fitness training, firefighter skills training, and live firefighting practice.

The MFA, which marked its 50th anniversary last year, provides recruit and in-service training at three separate campuses in Stow, Springfield, and Bridgewater. To date, nearly 14,000 firefighters have graduated in more than 450 classes.



By LARZ F. NEILSON

## No candles, no parade as Wilmington marks 292 years

As the Town of Wilmington marks its 292nd anniversary on Sunday, it is a good time to examine why the town was formed. You could call it a "chicken or the egg" question. There is but one answer, simply the reverse of what took place in most early towns.

In the British colonies, the primary requirement for the formation of a town was that it must have a church. The townspeople had to build a church and "treat" with a minister within three years of the granting of a charter.

People settling in early towns had wanted a town, therefore they built a church. In Goshen, however, the residents wanted a church, so they formed a town.

Much of what became Wilmington was part of Woburn, an area called Goshen.

Residents were required to attend church, but for people living in the northern part of Goshen, it could be seven miles to the Woburn church. Especially in winter, this could be a difficult journey, providing an obvious incentive for a new church.

In 1724, residents of Goshen asked the town (Woburn) to either move the meeting house closer to them or allow them to create a new town. That was refused. In 1729, they petitioned the General Court to establish a separate precinct. It was denied. In 1730, they again submitted a petition, this time for a separate town. This time, they were successful.

On Sept. 25, 1730, the legislature passed an act creating a new town. Gov. Jonathan Belcher named the town for The Earl of Wilmington, Spencer Compton, a crony of King George II.

The new town included all the Goshen section of Woburn, plus a small portion of Reading, including Nod, a large area at the northern end of town.

Three years later, the Church of Christ was established in the new town of Wilmington.

Travel to church was also a factor in the annexa-

tion of a small part of Billerica. The so-called Billerica line was a straight line, southwest to northeast. People living northwest of that line were in Billerica, but many would attend the new meeting house in Wilmington, it being two miles closer than the one in Billerica. Travel to Billerica was hazardous in the spring, when the Shawsheen River would be at flood stage.

In December 1737, the Governor's Council and the legislature approved the transfer of about 600 acres to Wilmington. The area includes Hopkins Street and Shawsheen Avenue beyond the cranberry bog.

The area that was to become Wilmington saw its first settlers about 1665. There has long been a question of who was the first, and it comes down to three possibilities. Will Butter, Abram Jaquith and Richard Harnden each settled in different areas, indeed in separate towns. Butter built in Woburn, Harnden in Reading and Jaquith in Billerica. Long after these three men had gone to their rewards, their homes became part of the new town of Wilmington.

Butter, a Scotsman, had been taken prisoner in the English Civil Wars about 1650. He was sold as an indentured servant to a Puritan family in Woburn for a term of nine years. When he was free of indenture, he set off to the northwest, and then went easterly over a hill on a path that became Mill Road. He stopped near a great swamp, placing it between his new home and the Puritans in Woburn.

Abram Jaquith is recorded as being in Charles-town in 1644. He eventually struck out to the northwest, eventually settling near the Woburn - Billerica line, probably in Billerica. The site of his house would be near the corner of Aldrich Road and Forest Street.

Among the three, Richard Harnden was probably the first to arrive in the New World. His father had a most inauspicious

arrival in 1630, drowning as he ventured forth from the ship. The son met no such fate and eventually settled in the northwest-

ern part of Reading. The site where he built is today 67 High St.

Although there is no official record of who was

first, some people have tried to determine the answer. At the time of the town's 200th anniversary in 1930, a committee studied

the question and came to a determination that it was Will Butter.



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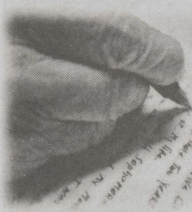





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# OPINION



## Letters to the editor

### It's Our Time grateful for support of community

Dear Editor,  
On behalf of the members of It's Our Time, I want to thank those who have donated to us so far. Your generous contributions have enabled us to order the promotional materials necessary for our campaign.

It's Our Time is a fundraising coalition in support of the construction of a new senior center. We are Wilmington seniors who have taken our name from the fact that over the years we have supported so many of the municipal and private projects that have made our town such a great place to live. And now, it's our time.

We will continue in our efforts until Town Meeting on Saturday, Nov. 19 when the senior center comes up for a vote, and we expect there'll be costs for printing additional material. If you'd like to contribute, please send a check payable to "It's Our Time" to:

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No contribution is too small, and all are welcomed. If you have any questions, please contact Susanne Clarkin at 978-658-2432 or me at 978-604-5925. Thank you.

Debra Russo  
Co-Chairperson

### Wilmington doesn't have a 40B dilemma

(Eds. note: this letter references a story that ran in Middlesex East titled "Wilmington has a 40B dilemma")

To the editor,  
Wilmington has no 40B dilemma at all: they should simply accept the 40B proposal as first presented.

Private property is a foundational value of this country, and it is distressing to hear so many within the Town of Wilmington actively hindering the production of sorely needed housing in this region. In my opinion, if the developer owns the land, they should be allowed to build on it, period.

The 40B law only exists because we have allowed every single town to say "Not In My Backyard." The residents who are objecting are inadvertently demonstrating exactly why 40B is needed.

Over the past few decades, actions like the obstruction of this development in Wilmington have restricted the supply of new homes in this region. Therefore, rents are increasing, home prices are

becoming unaffordable for new buyers, and poor families are crowded into small apartments. It is easier for a homebuyer to leave Massachusetts than to buy a house or condo within it.

Companies trying to hire workers have a hard time enticing people to move here given our high housing costs, and longtime residents are being priced out and forced to move to the peripheral edges of our cities, or even out of state.

The actions described in this article represent exactly how we got to a housing crisis this bad. We simply must let approve every project that's presented. Towns should not be blocking projects, they should be asking "how should I help?"

A housing crisis is a choice that we continue to choose to make. Our region should stop choosing to be in a housing crisis, and Wilmington should immediately accept the 40B development proposal without delay.

Sincerely,  
Christopher Silvia

### Tewksbury notices

North and Trahan School Reuse Committee Resident Survey

The Tewksbury North and Trahan School Reuse Committee really wants to hear your thoughts on what should be done with the North and Trahan properties when they are closed after the new consolidated school opens in 2023. Completing the survey is the best way to provide the Committee with the broadest range of thinking across the town.

Residents should plan on completing the survey once started. The system doesn't support stopping and coming back to finish. Access the survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QNX5M26>

Please complete your in-

put by Tuesday, Oct. 4 at noon.

Proposed DPW-School Maintenance Facility Public Forum

On Sept. 19, 2022, the town manager and Department of Public Works director will hold a public forum to present plans for the construction and renovation of a combined DPW-School Maintenance Facility on the current Whipple Road site.

The meeting will be held in the Town Hall auditorium from 6:30 - 8 p.m. Residents are invited to attend and become familiar with the project, as funding will be sought at the upcoming fall special Town Meeting on Monday, Oct. 3, 2022.

By CAPT. LARZ NEILSON

In the late 1800s, there were two men in Wilmington each named William Henry Carter. Both were prominent men. One lived on High Street and was an officer of the Boston and Maine Railroad. He was town clerk for many years around the time of the Civil War, and also served as selectman and on the school committee.

The other lived on Shaw-sheen Avenue, next to Bridge Lane. He was a farmer, considerably younger than his namesake.

Someone in town came up with assigning numbers to the names, just to keep them straight. The man from High Street became Bill Hen One, and the farmer from Shaw-sheen Avenue was Bill Hen Two. Both men were descended from Rev. Thomas Carter, the first Puritan minister of Woburn, who settled there in 1642. Their relationship to each other has never been traced, other than to say they were distant cousins.

Bill Hen Two was one of the finest men ever to call himself a citizen of Wilmington. He was a giant of a man, a long, lean, sparse Yankee who was the soul of rectitude and honor and was never known to swear.

Characterized by the typical ornery streak of the Carter family, a vow to Bill Hen Two was a thing to be kept, no matter how ridiculous the circumstances. Bill Hen once discovered one of his sisters using his razor for cutting her corns. He swore he would never shave again, and he never did. His brother Charles was kicked by a cow, and he swore he would never again drink milk. And he never did.

His family called him Henry, not to distinguish him from William Henry Carter One, but from his father and grandfather, both of whom were named William.

Bill Hen Two was born in a home which was just across the town line in Burlington. Shortly after the Civil War, his father purchased the Eldad Carter farm on Shaw-sheen Avenue. The farmhouse was a typical farmhouse which had been built before the town was founded. They added to the house, making rooms on the side and in back on the second floor, changes which a person who knows his colonial architecture can readily detect. The two chimneys,

for instance, did not go through the ridge pole, a sure sign that the house is not as it was when originally built.

Bill Hen Two, like the rest of the Yankee farmers of that day, was a fine teamster. At a very early age, he was able to handle his team, and his ability was second to none.

The Farmers & Mechanics Club, a distinctly Wilmington organization, sponsored a field plowing contest for many years. The earliest contest was held in the field where St. Thomas Church now stands, then known as the Thomas Bond place. Later, they were on the Common or on the site of the Swain School. The last one was held shortly before the First World War.

Bill Hen Two frequently won the plowing contests. He won the same way he plowed his fields — take it easy, do a good job, and never swear at the horses.

A man named Spaulding, the overseer of the Town Farm, was very anxious to win the plowing contest. One year, he bought Bill Hen's prize team, especially for the effort, but Bill Hen won anyway, much to Spaulding's chagrin. Bill Hen was supposed to have driven a "green" team that year.

He and his brother would buy up large tracts of land, log off the timber, and then sell the land again. Sometimes they sold the logs directly to a mill, in which cases they would do their own teaming. Other times they sold the lumber after it had been cut, either as lumber or cordwood. Often they would employ Fred "Braybo" Brabant, another excellent teamster.

One of his early jobs was to bring the timbers from Clapp's Mill to the Congregational Church when the steeple was rebuilt after the hurricane of 1873. Clapp's Mill stood down in the Garden of Eden, off Chestnut Street.

One of the stories is that Bill Hen was the only man to ever lose a pair of horses in Silver Lake. We do not know whether the story was true or not. Perhaps it was told to us to keep a little boy from going on surreptitious swimming trips.

In those days, the farmers who had occasion to drive down Lake Street would take a short cut across the shallow portion of the lake, arriving on terra firma again on Main Street, near Glen

Road. The water would make the wood in the wheels "swell up" and thus keep the iron tires tightly in place. Anyway, we were told that on one such trip, Bill Hen drove a team into a hole and lost them.

Perhaps the story was confused in our young mind with another story about a team of horses being lost while cutting ice for the Boston Ice Company. We don't know.

Bill Hen Two married twice. His first wife was Lizzie Harnden, a member of one of Wilmington's oldest families. She was the daughter of Everell Harnden, who lived on Hardscrabble (High Street) but later moved to Tewksbury.

She was the teacher in the West School, just down the street from Bill Hen Two's farm. Lizzie is described as having been "a lovely fragile thing." Bill Hen Two, then a 36-year-old bachelor farmer, was smitten with the lovely 21-year-old schoolteacher. She died five years later after a lingering illness.

Broken-hearted, Bill Hen turned to his neighbors for comfort, the Daniel Gowingings, a quarter mile away. Daniel was the last lock-tender on the Middlesex Canal. He lived in the old lockhouse, and later across the street, near the bridge on Shawsheen Avenue.

The next spring, Clara Gowing became Mrs. William Henry Carter. Their granddaughter said that Clara "had been pining for him all along."

Bill Hen was a road surveyor for Wilmington for many years, and one of the best, in the days before the town had a highway superintendent. It was he who raised the hill in Wilmington Square, at the time when the railroad raised the bridge. It was also he who widened Woburn Street from Perry's Corner to Salem Street, back in 1914.

The county commissioners decreed that the street should be made 40 feet wide, which meant that many trees had to be cut down, stone walls moved, etc. Two big trees on the Hoyt place had to be moved back ten feet because the owner refused to allow them to be cut.

Up on the Eames farm, there was an apple tree which the owner wanted to keep, so the stone wall was built around the tree. Down near the railroad, where the road cut through a hillock, a massive stone wall was built,

all part of Bill Hen's work. The thing for which many remembered Bill Hen is the story of the hat upon the coffin.

Mrs. Dr. Henry Hiller was the possessor of a magnificent coffin, and it was on the occasion when she was using it for the last time — her funeral, in 1900.

The coffin was a tremendous thing, very heavy and very expensive. It was known all over, and her funeral was to all effect, a holiday for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Special police had to be brought up from Woburn to handle the heavy crowds, and a number of husky men were recruited to be pall bearers. Bill Hen, tall and lank, was one of them.

Ed Nichols was in charge of the funeral. As the hearse, drawn by four horses, made its way down Church Street, it was escorted by the pall bearers, each straight and erect, and marching in file beside the coffin. Bill Hen, however, couldn't forget that he was the road surveyor, and every time he saw a pebble in the road, he would deviate from his line of march long enough to kick the pebble aside.

But to get back to the hat on the coffin. It is a story Bill Hen often related to his children.

The front windows of the Hiller house had to be taken out, in order to get the coffin out of the building. Some of the pall bearers were inside the building, passing out the coffin, and others were outside, receiving it.

Suddenly, Bill Hen, always a gentleman, remembered that a gentleman never wears his hat in the presence of a lady, even if that lady is deceased.

He said, "Take off your hats."

Everyone complied. But passing out a coffin while holding a hat in one hand was a very difficult thing to do, so all the pall bearers, without further adieu, put their hats on the coffin, Bill Hen included.

To the rest of the pall bearers, it was a passing incident. But not to William Henry Carter Two. To the end of his life, he never could forget that when the casket of Mrs. Dr. Henry Hiller left her home for its last resting place, there was on top of it a tall silk hat, belonging to him.

And he never could figure out whether or not that was a sacrilegious act.

### Destruction of student temporary records

To the members of the Wilmington High School Class of 2016: in accordance with the MA Department of Elementary and Secondary Edu-

cation, 603 CMR 23.06 policy, this letter is to notify you that the temporary medical records of members of the WHS class of 2016 will be de-

stroyed on Nov. 1, 2022. If you wish to obtain your records, in person, please contact Kim Dragone at 978-694-6060 x 6615.

### Book Stew Review

### 'The Latecomer' by Jean Hanff Korelitz

By EILEEN MACDOUGALL

With a clever concept, following four in vitro embryos and their wealthy parents, this novel is superior in plotting and character development.

The first three are two boys and a girl, born in the '80s, and the fourth stays in a freezer until 20 years later.

Harrison is a cranky conservative; Sally is closeted and confused; and Lewyn, with no ambition nor ideas of what to do with his life, follows uncomfortably in the wake of the others.

The amazing plot point is the triplets' complete dislike of each other and their

alienation from their oblivious mother and their distracted father, who was emotionally devastated by a tragic accident during high school and is consumed with a love of modern art.

The fourth child is Phoebe, born after her triplet siblings have left home, but destined to bring them together. Each voice is heard and each contributes greatly to the whole as they talk to the reader but not to each other. Highly recommended.

Quote: "It was not precisely that she made him wish to be a better man; it was more that she made him WISH he wished to be a better man."

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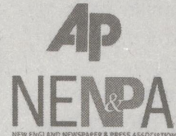
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# OBITUARIES

## Ruth Sheldon Childs

Worked for the B & M Railroad in Boston

Ruth Sheldon Childs, age 98, a life-long resident of Wilmington, passed away peacefully on Sept. 14, 2022.

Ruth was born in Woburn, on Dec. 19, 1923. She was the cherished daughter of the late Wilbur and Olive (Carter) Sheldon. Ruth was raised and educated in Wilmington, graduating with the Wilmington High School Class of 1941.

After high school, Ruth followed in her father's footsteps working for the B & M Railroad at North Station in Boston, where she was an executive secretary for many years. On the train going to work, Ruth met "the love of her life," William Childs. They married on Sept. 26, 1953, and after a short stay in West Medford, the couple made their home in North Wilmington, where they raised their family.

Ruth was a very caring and loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She cherished the time she spent with her family, especially her grandchildren.

Ruth loved to read and

often shared her love of reading with her grandchildren. As an avid home-maker, Ruth enjoyed tending her flower gardens and cooking and baking. Her baking was often shared during afternoon "tea parties" with whoever was lucky enough to stop by.

After raising her family, Ruth eventually went to work in the fabric department of Zayre's just to keep busy. She had a great rapport with her customers and enjoyed helping others.

Ruth will be fondly remembered as a lovely lady; she was quiet and reserved, but always willing to lend a hand. Ruth's unconditional love for her family and friends was evident in everything she did. She will forever be loved and missed by all who knew her.

Ruth was the beloved wife of the late William G. Childs, devoted mother of Linda Boise and her husband Lawrence of Milton, NH and Susan Caron of Framingham.

Loving "Grandma" of Ad-



am Boise, Ellen (Boise) Bennett and her husband Tyler, Matthew Caron, and Jamie Caron.

Ruth was the dear sister of the late Wilbur "Bud" Sheldon and his wife Sally. She is further survived by her nephews and their families.

A private service was held at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rt. 62), Wilmington. Interment followed in the Sheldon Family lot at Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes in Ruth's name may be made to the charity of your choosing.

## Roger Edwin Gouldsbrough

Longtime member of Lions Club International

Roger Edwin Gouldsbrough, 85, of Lawrence and formerly of Wilmington, passed away peacefully at Mary Immaculate Nursing Center in Lawrence on Monday, Sept. 5, 2022.

The son of the late Thomas and Helen (Rogers) Gouldsbrough, Roger was born in Methuen on Jan. 30, 1937.

He was educated in local schools. Roger had a long-time career driving dump trucks for many contractors in Northeastern Massachusetts. He also had his own small trucking business, R&R Truck'n.

A longtime member of Lions Clubs International, Roger's passion was being instrumental and providing eyeglasses to those in need. He regularly led or participated in fundraising events and loved bringing people together for a common cause.

He played a large role in the Wilmington and Beverly Hills, FL Lions Clubs.

Roger was a longtime member and a second of the First Baptist Church of Wilmington.

Roger and his late wife,

Sylvia, enjoyed many family vacations RVing visiting National Parks, Disney World, battlefields in Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. They enjoyed traveling and going on cruises.

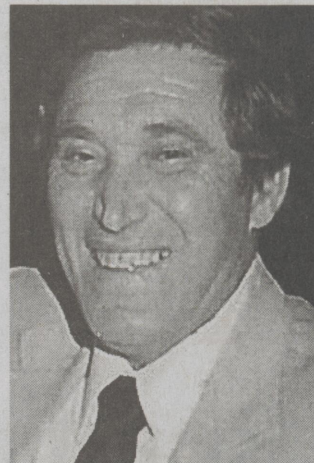
Roger enjoyed gardening and pickling. He also enjoyed woodworking, having made wonderful items for his children, grandchildren, as well as friends.

His church is thankful for a beautiful crafted cross that Roger made and donated. That cross currently hangs on the front of the Cowboy Church in Florida.

Roger was predeceased by his wife, Sylvia (Dunn) Gouldsbrough; son Robert J. Gouldsbrough; brothers, Thomas Gouldsbrough Jr. and Russel J. Gouldsbrough and sister, Gertrude Thompson.

Roger is survived by his son, David R. Gouldsbrough of Somersworth, NH, two daughters, Lynn Gannino of Manchester, NH and Joan Harvey of Hillsboro, NH.

He was Bumpy to nine grandchildren: Paul Gannino, Kristen Butler, Narissa Dionne, Elizabeth



Frazier, Nathan Gouldsbrough, Mark Gannino, Amanda Gannino, Jacob Harvey and Cameron Harvey, his sister Hazel Wronski, and several nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are cordially invited to calling hours on Thursday, Sept. 22, 2022 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Dewhurst and Boles Funeral Home, 80 Broadway, Methuen, MA 01844. A Funeral Service will follow at 6 p.m.. Burial will be private.

For directions and online condolences, please visit [www.dewhurstbolesfuneral.com](https://www.dewhurstbolesfuneral.com).

## Peter E. Joyce

Member of the Sheet Metal Worker's Union

Peter E. Joyce, age 79, of Wilmington, passed away at home on Sept. 18, 2022, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Peter was born and raised in Charlestown; he was the dear son of the late John and Agnes Joyce and one of seven siblings. He was educated in Charlestown and was a graduate of the Boston Trade High School.

Peter was a member of the Sheet Metal Worker's Union Local #17 for over 50 years. He retired from the MBTA where he worked for many years and was a dedicated employee.

Peter was the devoted husband of Marion (Wilson) Joyce, his wife of 60 years. The couple lived in Charlestown before moving to Wilmington in 1977 where they raised their four children.

Peter will be fondly remembered as a quiet, easy going family man; he was genuinely a "nice guy." He worked hard to provide for his family and there wasn't anything he

wouldn't do for them. Peter was a loving husband, father and grampy who will forever be missed by his family.

Peter was a devoted Catholic and parishioner of St. Dorothy's Church in Wilmington for many years.

In his spare time he loved watching movies and spending time in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

Peter is survived by his wife Marion (Wilson) Joyce, daughter Michelle Joyce of Wilmington, son Michael Joyce and his wife Cara of Tewksbury, daughter Lynda Joyce of Longs, SC and son Peter Joyce of Billerica.

He was the loving grandfather of Cameron and Jocelyn Joyce. He was the dear brother of Bartley Joyce and his wife Charlene of Burlington, John Joyce and his wife Joan of Tewksbury, Maureen Joyce of North Myrtle Beach, SC, Thomas Joyce and his wife Mary of North Weymouth, the late Paul Joyce and his wife Judy of East



Weymouth and the late Ann Joyce of Weymouth.

Family and friends are invited to gather for a Mass of Christian Burial for Peter on Wednesday, Sept. 28 at 11:30 a.m. in St. Dorothy's Church, Main Street (Rt. 38), Wilmington.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Nichols Funeral Home, Wilmington, MA. To leave a message of condolence for the family please visit our website at [www.nicholsfuneralhome.com](http://www.nicholsfuneralhome.com)



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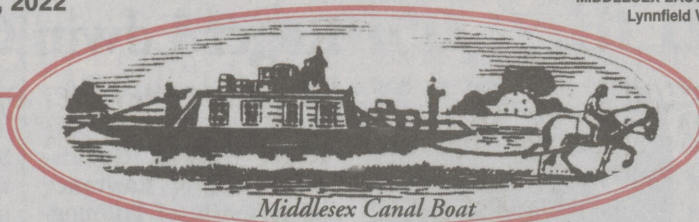
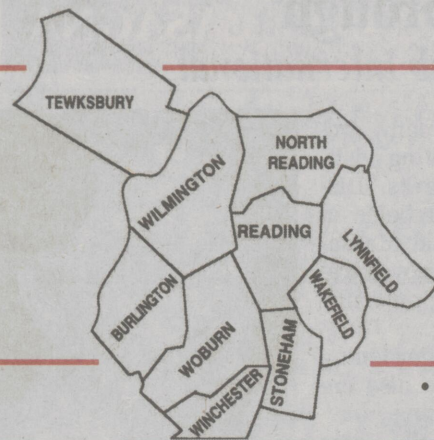


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## Reading wetlands work deemed key to regional climate resiliency project

By PAT BLAIS



COMBATING DOWNSTREAM OVERFLOWS ALONG THE MYSTIC RIVER WATERSHED - MyRWA staff and fellows (kneeling) join Congressman Moulton (back row, fourth from left) and state legislators, and Town of Reading officials at the Maillet, Sommes & Morgan Conservation Land earlier this summer. (Courtesy photo)

Already visited by Congressman Seth Moulton earlier this summer, a quiet nature trail and bird watching spot by the Aberjona River and Austin Preparatory High School in Reading sure is catching a lot of attention these days.

This week (on Wednesday, Sept. 21), Mass. Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Beth Card will become the latest state official to draw attention to a high profile stormwater storage project at Reading's 19-acre Maillet, Sommes and Morgan Conservation area.

With environmental advocates labeling the wetlands restoration plans as a key to combating downstream overflows along the larger Mystic River Watershed, Card will hold a press conference with local state legislators to underscore the importance of a proposed \$3 million project.

Already this month, town officials and members of Reading's State House delegation, celebrating the receipt of a \$2.1 million state grant, have drawn quite a bit attention to the proposed "climate change resiliency" project, which will create new flood and stormwater storage areas on the parkland, which sits by Lowell and Willow Streets.

"Reading understands that this is truly a regional issue that impacts multiple communities and requires a shared response," State Rep. and House Minority Leader Bradley Jones said earlier this month of the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) grant award. "When all levels of government and local stakeholders work together to achieve a common goal, good things happen. This grant award is a

WETLANDS TO A-7

## Movie Reviews & Box Office News

A classic battle epic in 'The Woman King'

By LINDSEY BAHR  
AP Film Writer

Viola Davis should have been leading armies this whole time.

In "The Woman King," the always regal Oscar-winner is a mass of muscle, battle wounds and world weariness as General Nanisca, the head of the Agojie, an all-female unit of warriors who protected the West African Kingdom of Dohemy in the 19th century. Directed by Gina Prince-Bythewood, who cannot be pigeonholed, the film is a throwback of sorts to the big, exciting, emotional warrior epics that used to be all too common at the multiplex, with the twist that it's women not men driving the action.

But unlike some recent cinematic depictions of armies not entirely comprised of men, they didn't have to look to fantasy or the comic books to make "The Woman King" — just a history that isn't widely taught. More people probably know the Dora Milaje than the Agojie, who actually inspired the "Black Panther" fighters.

It is powerful that they are not immortal like Wonder Woman. There's no condescending Avengers-like battle moment. There are no superpowers or magic lassos of truth. The ropes here are just ropes, but deadly still. They also fight with machetes and, sometimes, fingernails, up against brutish men and often win. In other words, there's no tricks, Nanisca explains, just skill (and bruises and scars). There's a reason she's described by a young trainee as looking just like some old woman (any warrior should be so lucky to be old).

Written by Dana Stevens, "The Woman King" is a classic "one last fight" tale with a grizzled war veteran in Davis, a new recruit in Nawi (a compelling and complex Thuso Mbedu), and the one who takes her under her wing, Izogie (a terrific part for Lashana Lynch, of "Captain Marvel" and James Bond). Terence Blanchard lends a fittingly rousing score to the action, which, though brutal, is carefully constructed to keep that superhero PG-13 rating.

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LONG LIVE THE KING - Viola Davis in "The Woman King" from Sony Pictures. The film is exactly what audiences need it to be: An exciting and emotionally true spectacle that required a heck of a fight to simply exist. (Sony Pictures via AP)



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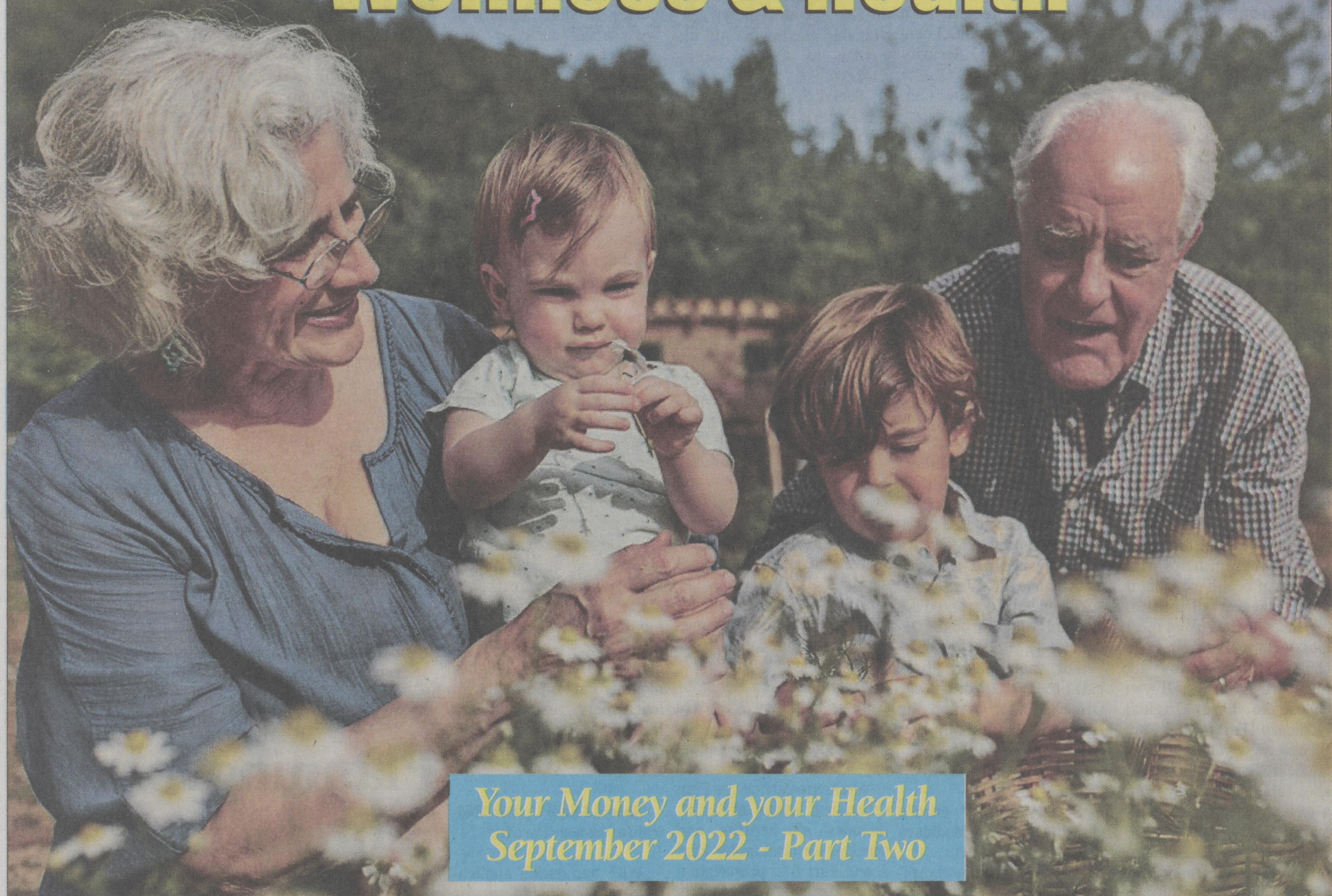
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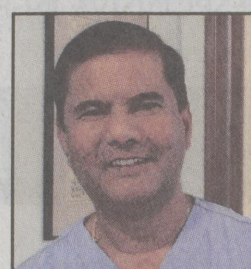
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## Social Security announces 5.9 percent benefit increase for 2022

Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits for approximately 70 million Americans will increase 5.9 percent in 2022, the Social Security Administration announced today.

The 5.9 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) will begin with benefits payable to more than 64 million Social Security beneficiaries in January 2022. Increased payments to approximately 8 million SSI

beneficiaries will begin on December 30, 2021. (Note: some people receive both Social Security and SSI benefits). The Social Security Act ties the annual COLA to the increase in the Consumer Price Index as determined by the Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Some other adjustments that take effect in January of each year are based on the increase in average wages. Based on that in-

crease, the maximum amount of earnings subject to the Social Security tax (taxable maximum) will increase to \$147,000 from \$142,800.

Social Security and SSI beneficiaries are normally notified by mail starting in early December about their new benefit amount. Most people who receive Social Security payments will be able to view their COLA notice online through their personal my Social Security

account. People may create or access their my Social Security account online at [www.socialsecurity.gov/my-account](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/my-account).

Information about Medicare changes for 2022, when announced, will be available at [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov). For Social Security beneficiaries receiving Medicare, Social Security will not be able to compute their new benefit amount until after the Medicare premium amounts

for 2022 are announced. Final 2022 benefit amounts will be communicated to beneficiaries in December through the mailed COLA notice and my Social Security's Message Center.

The Social Security Act

provides for how the COLA is calculated. To read more, please visit [www.socialsecurity.gov/cola](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/cola).

To get more Social Security news, follow the Press Office on Twitter @SSA-Press.

## How retirement benefits work

Social Security replaces a percentage of your pre-retirement income based on their lifetime earnings. The portion of your pre-retirement wages that Social Security replaces is based on your highest 35 years of earnings and varies depending on how much you earn and when you choose to start benefits.

When you work, you pay taxes into Social Security. We use the tax money to pay benefits to:

People who have already retired.

People who are disabled. Survivors of workers who have died.

Dependents of beneficiar-

ies. The money you pay in taxes isn't held in a personal account for you to use when you get benefits. We use your taxes to pay people who are getting benefits right now. Any unused money goes to the Social Security trust fund that pays monthly benefits to you and your family when you start receiving retirement benefits.

## Planning for retirement

Planning is the key to creating your best retirement. You'll need to plan and save for years to achieve your retirement goals. While many factors affect retirement planning, we want you to understand what Social Security can mean to you and your family's financial future.

Social Security Should Be Just One Part of Your Retirement Plan

On average, retirement beneficiaries receive a portion of their pre-retirement income from Social Security. As you make your retirement plan, knowing the approximate amount you will receive in Social Security benefits can help you determine how much other retirement income you'll need to reach your goals.

### Are You Eligible?

When you work and pay Social Security taxes, you earn "credits" toward Social Security benefits. The number of credits you need to get retirement benefits depends on when you were born. If you were born in 1929 or later, you need 40 credits (usually, this is 10 years of work).

If you stop working before you have enough credits to qualify for benefits, the credits will remain on your Social Security record. If you return to work later, more credits may be added. We can't pay any retirement benefits until you have 40 credits. Visit our retirement benefits webpage for more information on how Social Security Credits work.

### Verify Your Earnings History

The amount of the Social Security benefits you or your family receives depends on the amount of earnings shown on your record. Regularly checking your Social Security earnings history can help ensure there are no surprises when it's time for you to start receiving benefits. You can find your earnings history with a personal my Social Security account. Create your account now to check your earnings history online.

### Estimate Your Benefits

Knowing what you will get every month in retirement benefits helps you plan for your retirement. If you have a personal my Social Security account, you can get an estimate of your personalized retirement benefits and see the effects of different retirement age scenarios. If you don't have a personal my Social Security account, create one at [www.ssa.gov/myaccount](http://www.ssa.gov/myaccount).

## What else affects your retirement benefits

Everyone's retirement is unique. Beyond deciding when to begin receiving retirement benefits, other factors that can affect your benefits include whether you continue to work, what type of job you had, and if you have a pension from certain jobs.

### Continuing To Work

You can choose to keep working beyond your full retirement age. If you do, you can increase your future Social Security benefits. Each extra year you work adds another year of earnings to your Social Security record. Higher lifetime earnings can mean higher benefits when you choose to receive benefits.

### Specific Types Of Earnings

While Social Security earnings are calculated the same way for most American workers, there are some types of earnings that have additional rules.

### Pensions And Other Factors

Pensions and taxes have the potential to impact your retirement benefit. Review the resources below on pensions and other factors you should consider:

Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP): If you have a pension from a job for which you didn't pay Social Security taxes, this policy may lower your retirement benefits.

Government Pension Offset (GPO): This policy affects benefits as a spouse, widow, or widower if you have a pension from a government job for which you didn't pay Social Security taxes.

Income Taxes And Your Social Security Benefits: You might have to pay federal income taxes on your Social Security benefits in certain situations.

## Medicare benefits for people over age 65

Medicare is our country's health insurance program for people age 65 or older. Certain people younger than age 65 can qualify for Medicare too, including those with disabilities and those who have permanent kidney failure.

The program helps with the cost of health care, but it does not cover all medical expenses or the cost of most long-term care. You have choices for how you get Medicare coverage. If you choose to have Original Medicare (Part A and Part B) coverage, you can buy a Medicare Supplement Insurance (Medigap) policy from a private insurance company.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services is providing equitable relief to people who could not submit premium-Part A or Part B enrollment or disenrollment

requests timely due to challenges with contacting us by phone. This relief applies to the 2022 General Enrollment Period, Initial Enrollment Period, and Special Enrollment Period.

If you were unable to enroll or disenroll in Medicare because you could not reach us by phone after January 1, 2022, you will be granted additional time through December 30, 2022.

For more information, call 1-800-772-1213 or use our Office Locator to find the number for a local office.

### The Parts of Medicare

Social Security enrolls you in Original Medicare (Part A and Part B).

Medicare Part A (hospital insurance) helps pay for inpatient care in a hospital or limited time at a skilled nursing facility (following a

hospital stay). Part A also pays for some home health care and hospice care.

Medicare Part B (medical insurance) helps pay for services from doctors and other health care providers, outpatient care, home health care, durable medical equipment, and some preventive services.

Other parts of Medicare are run by private insurance companies that follow rules set by Medicare.

Supplemental (Medigap) policies help pay Medicare out-of-pocket copayments, coinsurance, and deductible expenses.

Medicare Advantage Plan (previously known as Part C) includes all benefits and services covered under Part A and Part B — prescription drugs and additional benefits such as vision, hearing, and dental — bundled together in one plan.

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# Help for older adults on a budget may be a few clicks away

(BPT) - Food and gas prices continue to rise, on top of record-high housing costs in many cities across the U.S. If you're an older adult who is already living on a tight budget, today's inflation can be particularly difficult. Fortunately, there are programs available that can help you save money on health care, prescriptions, food, utilities and more.

One of the easiest ways to find out if you're eligible for benefits is to visit the National Council on Aging's BenefitsCheckUp.org. The free and confidential tool connects older adults, people with disabilities and caregivers to benefit programs. The site is easy to use, even for people with minimal digital experience.

"It only takes a few minutes to learn about all the programs available and how to apply," said Ramsey Alwin, president and CEO of NCOA. "For example, there are Medicare programs that can boost your budget by helping with prescription drug costs, as well as premiums, deductibles and coinsurance."

There are thousands of programs on BenefitsCheckUp, including:

- \* The Supplemental Nu-



trition Assistance Program (SNAP), which can help you pay for healthy food

- \* The Medicare Part D Low Income Subsidy and Medicare Savings Programs, which can help people with Medicare afford their out-of-pocket health care expenses

- \* The Housing Choice Vouchers and Public Hous-

ing Programs, which can help with housing costs

- \* Supplemental Security Income, which provides cash for basic needs

- \* The Affordable Connectivity Program, which provides discounted internet services

- \* The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, which can help

you pay for home heating and cooling

Millions of older adults are eligible for, but not enrolled in these programs. In fact, NCOA estimates that \$30 billion in benefits go unused each year simply because older adults don't know about these programs - or how to apply.

BenefitsCheckUp.org will give you a personalized list of benefits you may be eligible for and the steps you need to apply, including links to the correct government agencies and applications. Just a few minutes could save you money every month.

## Tips for managing and minimizing stress

(BPT) - Americans experience varying levels of stress for a wide variety of reasons and many struggle to find healthy ways to manage. Minimizing occasional stress is important as it can affect overall health and well-being. Stress can feel overwhelming at times but setting aside time to unwind each day to focus on your physical and mental health can help you manage those feelings. To better manage occasional feelings of stress, consider incorporating the following into your daily routine:

### 1. Prioritize exercise

Research has found that exercise in any form can help reduce occasional stress and provide a natural distraction from other thoughts and worries.[1] Taking 30 minutes a day to focus on movement, whether going for a walk, taking a yoga class or practicing high-intensity training, can support moods and help manage stress. Just don't forget to hydrate!

### 2. Safeguard sleep

Sleep is important for your overall well-being.[2] A survey conducted by the American Psychological Association found that many adults report that their stress increases when the length and quality of sleep decreases.[3] To help you fall asleep and stay asleep, try limiting or turning off distracting devices like the television, computer or cell-phone before bed and getting into bed earlier to encourage achieving a full eight hours of rest. With these changes, the quality of sleep should improve, leaving you feeling happier, more refreshed and better able to accomplish tasks on your to-do list.

### 3. Appease stress with passion

A study published in The Annals of Behavioral Medicine found that finding a passion to pursue not only reduces stress levels, but also contributes to greater happiness overall.[4] Finding passion in a hobby or activity you love is a form of self-care and can make life feel a little less heavy. Setting aside time each day to focus on projects like decorating, painting, joining a book club or whatever inspires you can offer a sense of excitement and something to look forward to. It can even be an opportunity to reset your overall outlook and mood. Acting on something you are truly passionate about is sure to keep stress levels at bay, so don't hesitate to start a new project today.

### 4. Wellness support with botanicals

According to a poll from the American Psychological Association, more than half of Americans experience feelings of stress during their days.[5] Managing stress is important to our overall health and immune system, so choosing products that support both of those aspects of wellness is equally important. With a dietary supplement like Emergen-C Ashwagandha you can reduce occasional feelings of stress\* and support your immune system\*.[6] For more information visit [www.emergenc.com](http://www.emergenc.com).

Focusing on how we can reduce occasional stress and finding ways to manage it on an ongoing basis offers a variety of wellness benefits. Simple everyday changes such as being active, getting a good night's sleep, actively participating in passion projects and incorporating a daily supplement that supports the immune system are habits that can all add up to support well-being.

## When it come to supporting seniors, choosing care is personal

No one likes to be in a position of asking for help, but as we get older, most of us have to get comfortable accepting assistance. The questions is, how can you get reliable help without giving up our independence?

Consider PACE, like the Element Care PACE program that serves older adults across the North Shore and Merrimack Valley. PACE (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) includes many kinds of support for older adults who need extra help but want to keep living in their communities.

A big part of what makes this program unique is the healthcare. Rather than chasing appointments all over town, all of your healthcare visits happen through Element care PACE, including dental, vision, and hearing, as well as mental health, nutrition, and physical and occupational

therapy.

Participants in the program also gather at Element Care centers in Lynn, Gloucester, Beverly, Methuen and Lowell, where they can socialize, enjoy meals, exercise, and take part in activities. At the end of the day, you get to go home to your familiar surroundings.

More help is something we all need as we get older. With a program like Element Care PACE, participants get to enjoy true independent living, at home in the community, along with highly personalized and all-inclusive care for all the important things.

If you or a loved one could benefit from PACE at Element Care, call today to talk to their staff at (877)803-5564 (TTY 711). Or, learn more online at [elementcare.org](http://elementcare.org)



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## It's time to start protecting your heart health

(BPT) - By JoAnne Foody, M.D., FACC, FAHA, Chief Medical Officer at Esperion

This fall, we recognize National Cholesterol Education Month - a time to reflect upon the importance of heart health and highlight the impact of high cholesterol on cardiovascular disease (CVD). As a cardiologist and physician researcher who feels passionately about diseases of the heart, moments like these present a welcome opportunity to help to educate at-risk individuals around the contributing factors for CVD, which remains the leading cause of death globally. Unfortunately, despite widely available medicines, many are still unaware of the risk factors that can lead to heart disease or stroke, making it difficult to find the right treatment that best meets their needs.

Accordingly, I believe it's time that men and women of all ages better understand how to manage their CVD risk by monitoring and treating their cholesterol. Here's a look at how to improve your heart health by getting these critical factors under control.

Understanding cholesterol

For those who are unaware, cholesterol is a fatty molecule that circulates in the blood. There are two main types of cholesterol: HDL cholesterol, which is good for your health, and LDL cholesterol, which is bad for it. As the amount of LDL cholesterol increases, so too does the risk of cholesterol slowly building in your arteries, contributing to an increased likelihood of heart disease and stroke.

Because LDL cholesterol is the main source of this artery-clogging plaque, it's very important to monitor your cholesterol levels so you can take action to address them. In order to do so, the American Heart Association recommends following the "check, change and control" method to manage your risk:

- \* Check your cholesterol levels.

- \* Change your diet and lifestyle to help improve your levels.

- \* Control your cholesterol, with help from your doctor, if needed.

Finding the right treatment





## Tewksbury Police Log

### Billerica resident charged with OUI liquor

**Monday, September 12**

12:46 a.m. - Police out with a vehicle in the parking lot at Enterprise Rent-a-Car. They spoke with a party who was sleeping and waiting on someone to drop off a rental car.

11:51 a.m. - Caller reported a vehicle was all over the road at Livingston Street and East Street. Police would be out with that vehicle. Police assisted and vehicle owner came to pick up the vehicle. They issued citation for a criminal application.

7:26 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious male stood in the road at East Street and Livingston Street. Caller described the male as approximately 30 years old wearing dark shorts and dark shirt and a tattoo on his leg. Caller left the area. The male party was spoken to and resides at East Street.

7:30 p.m. - Caller reported a noise complaint behind their residence at Compass Lane. Caller believed there was a large party between their resi-

dence and the Market Basket Warehouse. Police sent to check the area and the units checked the area with negative results.

**Tuesday, September 13**

2:50 a.m. - A 911 caller reported a vehicle hit the rocks in front of their house hitting their mailbox dragging that along. Her husband went to follow the driver at North Street. Police sent. Aradia Panzeri, 22, of 10 Kenmar Drive in Billerica, was arrested and charged with OUI liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, marked lanes violation, and two counts of leave scene of property damage.

7:33 a.m. - Caller stated vehicle had been parked outside her house for an hour at Apache Way. It could be a medical issue. Caller called right back and said it was not an issue; plumber was waiting to start work.

10:18 a.m. - A 911 caller believed there was an argument going on outside of his store at 7-Eleven. Caller was on scene. Police

sent. Wilmington contacted to conduct a wellness check and officer filed a report.

3:59 p.m. - Caller believes her house was being broken into at Marshall Street. Caller reported her front door and her garage door were open. Officer checked the house and reported no evidence that anyone had been inside.

9:08 p.m. - Passerby across the street from True Fitness reported hearing an argument at the front desk. Police sent. Police reported a verbal argument between an employee and an unhappy customer.

**Wednesday, September 14**

10:50 a.m. - Female caller who was not home reported seeing a male party with a ladder approaching her deck on her security cameras at Apache Way. She was not notified of any work being done by the property management. She does not want the party on her deck. Police sent. They spoke with the male who was there painting per man-

agement. He would notify management that the caller did not want him there while she was not home.

4:07 p.m. - A 911 call reported a male putting stuff on a white duffle bag at Home Depot. Another associate approached him and the male stated he has nothing. He notified the male to put things back on after they approached him. Police sent. Byron Hawes, 34, of 147 Woburn St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with trespassing and shoplifting by concealing.

**Thursday, September 15**

9:48 am - Caller at Lodge at Ames Pond reported a couple parties that gained access to the clubhouse and have been staying there overnight. Police sent and officer filed a report.

10:40 a.m. - A 911 caller reported when she came back to her car at Walmart parking lot there was a paper on her windshield saying to come worship at a church in Lowell. Police spoke to her.

6:09 p.m. - A worker

from Cumberland Farms reported an altercation with a customer. Her card was declined and she was yelling and swearing at other customers. Requested police assistance. Female party was described as having a purple sweatshirt. Police sent and reported involved female party left. All units cleared.

9:05 p.m. - Caller who wished to remain anonymous reported a couple of vehicles in the parking lot at Advanced Auto Parts flashing their lights. Caller unable to give description. Police sent bit nothing was found.

**Friday, September 16**

4:46 a.m. - Caller wanted to speak to an officer about threatening calls and texts at Main Street he was receiving from a female party. Officer sent and spoke to the party. John Miranda, 52, of 1082 Main St. in Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with assault and battery on family/household members and four counts of indecent assault and battery on person 14 or over.

11:14 p.m. - Caller reported several young kids in the area of the powerlines near the intersection of the Farwood Road and Northern Place stated that

she asked them if they were OK and they just wandered into the wooded area. She felt they were a bit young to be out this late. Police sent and he spoke to the caller and checked the area. They were gone on arrival.

**Saturday, September 17**

1:49 a.m. - Police out at Town Fair Tire Center. Three parties were in a vehicle. Police sent and the vehicle was parked at a party across the street.

6:39 p.m. - A 911 caller reported an erratic driver behind him at Main Street. Caller reported he was attempting to run people off the road and flashing his high beams. All units cleared.

11:40 p.m. - Caller reported a vehicle was left at the pumps at Circle K. Police sent and the keys locked in vehicle.

**Sunday, September 18**

5 p.m. - Caller reported male outside Fox Run Drive with luggage sitting on the front lawn. Caller stated another male was with him and appeared to be in a verbal argument. Police sent and the male left in an Uber. Officer filed a report.



## Wilmington Police Log

### Motor vehicle accident causes Main Street disruption

**Friday, September 9:**

9:44 a.m.: A sick coyote was reportedly running around the courts at the Shawsheen School on Shawsheen Avenue, before an officer reported that it ran into the woods. The officer stood by in the area after the fact.

3:05 p.m.: An employee at Target on Ballardvale Street reported that a male party in line was causing a disturbance, eventually breaking out into a physical altercation. Police stopped two male parties in a tan 2017 Ford Escape, but found them to be uninvolved. Police promised management to investigate further.

7:29 p.m.: Police assisted a citizen having issues with cashing a scratch ticket at Richdale on Middlesex Avenue.

**Saturday, September 10:**

1:15 a.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred between a black 2018 Toyota RAV4 and a resident's mailbox and lawn on Boutwell Street. The operator of the vehicle kept getting in and out of the car, while the mailbox's contents lay in the road and a telephone pole and its utility box were also found to be damaged. The operator declined medical attention and was transported home.

10:11 a.m.: Brian David Fontaine of 63 Chuckies Way in Tewksbury was

issued a summons for Uninsured Motor Vehicle and Operation of a Motor Vehicle with a Suspended Registration (Subsequent Offense). This followed a stop and tow of the party's black 2006 Toyota Santa Fe on Lake Street and South Street.

5:48 p.m.: A caller reported a hit and run motor vehicle collision between a gray 2008 Nissan Altima and a blue 2010 Nissan Maxima at Eastgate Liquors on Lowell Street. The caller was informed by an employee who witnessed the incident and the license plate. Woburn Police made contact with the owner of the involved vehicle and both involved received information.

**Sunday, September 11:**

12:27 a.m.: Jaylier Baez of 3215 Ely Ave. in Bronx, New York was arrested for Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Lights Violation. This followed a stop of the party's silver 2006 BMW 750 on Lowell Street and Woodland Road. The party's vehicle was towed and they were bailed.

2:12 p.m.: A caller on Woburn Street reported that a motor vehicle collision had occurred sometime before 9 a.m. when a mailbox was struck, breaking it in half and leaving pieces of the vehicle behind. Another noise had been heard, indicating possible further damage while police pursued the car pieces

at tow yards in the area.

9:57 p.m.: An erratic operator in a white 2019 Jeep pulled into Cumberland Farms Gulf Gas Station on Main Street, having no headlights on and swerving after almost striking a telephone pole. Police arrived on the scene and spoke to the operator, who did not know how to turn the headlights on in their rental vehicle.

**Monday, September 12:**

7:20 a.m.: Two catalytic converters were taken from a vehicle on Woburn Street.

9:29 a.m.: An employee called police to report that two trucks on their lot had had two catalytic converters stolen from each of them.

1:34 p.m.: Police came across an elderly party on the side of Lowell Street, who reported that they did not know where they were. When officers gave directions back home, the party became confused and agitated. Wilmington Police contacted colleagues in Ipswich, finding that they were missing the party and contacting a relative to pick them up. The party's car was left to be picked up later.

**Tuesday, September 13:**

12:40 a.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred on Main Street between a blue 2008 Hyundai Accent and a pole. The collision involved a vehicle rollover, downed wires, blocked traffic, and damage to a nearby rock wall. Reading Municipal Light Department, the Water De-

partment, Massachusetts Highway, Verizon, and a tow vehicle were called to the scene. A traffic detour was set up and power was shut off to nearby residences.

12:14 p.m.: Police reported that a tree branch was down in the roadway on Shawsheen Avenue. Officers were concerned because several branches fell off the tree, so the road was cleared and DPW was called to inspect.

6:20 p.m.: A caller at North Intermediate School on Salem Street reported that a pitbull was out in the area with no owner or leash. Police contacted those in the area playing with dogs, advising them of the leash laws.

**Wednesday, September 14:**

8:50 a.m.: Police removed an injured seagull wrapped in fishing line on Miller Road, bringing the animal to Tufts.

8:51 a.m.: Two deceased seagulls were removed from Fitz Terrace.

12:24 p.m.: The Hyundai dealership on Main Street had a black 2011 Hyundai Sonata, blue 2011 Hyundai Sonata, gray 2018 Hyundai Tucson, black 2015 Hyundai Elantra, and a gray 2013 Hyundai Sonata towed for abandonment to Holland's Used Auto in Billerica.

**Thursday, September 15:**

9:05 a.m.: Richard T. Lowry of 62 Pleasant St., Apartment #4CB in Beverly was issued a summons for two counts of Larceny Under \$1,200 By Single Scheme. The incident occurred at Dunkin' Donuts on Lowell Street and the party was in a white 2014 Audi A6.

12:38 p.m.: An officer on Main Street went through the Plaza and Wilmington Crossing to do parking enforcement. The officer spoke to Dollar Tree regarding an 18 wheeler blocking parking access behind the building. The employees had recently had a meeting about the deliveries and resolved to use a smaller truck in the future.

## Governor Charlie Baker declares Sept. 18-24 Forensic Science Week in Massachusetts

BOSTON — Governor Charlie Baker declared Sept. 18-24, 2022 as Forensic Science Week in Massachusetts. This week marks the 10th anniversary of National Forensic Science Week, which recognizes the public service of forensic science professionals within the criminal justice system.

The Baker-Polito Administration is pleased to recognize the Massachusetts State Police Crime Laboratory (MSPCL) and its team of forensic practitioners for supporting public safety and advancing criminal investigations through impartial and reliable scientific examination of physical evidence.

"Forensic science, and the highly-skilled individuals who work in labs conducting these investigations and analyses, play a vital role in the criminal justice system," said Gov. Baker. "We are proud to recognize the forensic science community for their contributions to this critically important field, and their commitment to discovery, integrity and innovation."

"In recognition of forensic science professionals and their important role in the criminal justice system, our administration commends the nationally accredited MSPCL and its practitioners for their public service and wide-ranging technical expertise in areas such as DNA, ballistics, drugs and toxicology, trace evidence and fingerprint analysis," said Lt. Governor Kathryn Polito. "Their efforts help support the delivery of justice for victims of violent crimes, and we are grateful for their service."

"We are proud of the dedication and expertise consistently demonstrated by the highly skilled team at the Massachusetts State Police Crime Lab," said Public Safety and Security Secretary Terrence Reidy. "Forensic Science Week offers an important opportunity to recognize the important contribution of the Commonwealth's forensic investigators and scientists and their critical role in providing unbiased scientific evidence to advance criminal investigations and

support the administration of justice."

"I'm extremely proud of the professionals in our Forensic Services Group for their outstanding work in gathering and analyzing evidence across a range of disciplines," said Colonel Christopher S. Mason, Superintendent of the Massachusetts State Police. "Their dedication, skills, and training ensure that scientific evidence is examined and presented according to the highest standards of their field, allowing for the fair and unbiased application of such evidence to the criminal justice process."

The Massachusetts State Police Crime Laboratory is a full-service laboratory system with nine locations across the Commonwealth, including a new state-of-the-art evidence storage facility. The highly trained scientists at the Laboratory respond to crime scenes, perform laboratory testing, and provide expert testimony. The lab's scientists conduct forensic analysis in various disciplines, including Criminalistics, DNA, Trace/

Arson and Explosives, Drug Chemistry, Ante and Post-Mortem Toxicology, Latent Print and Impression Evidence, and Firearms. Additionally, the Laboratory performs Breath Alcohol Instrument calibrations and collects and processes DNA database samples.

The MSPCL recently achieved national accreditation renewal from the ANSI National Accreditation Board/ANAB, North America's largest multi-disciplinary accreditation body. After a rigorous evaluation, the MSPCL was granted renewal for exemplifying best practices in international testing, calibration standards, and forensic-specific standards.

In recognition of Forensic Science Week, the MSPCL will share information across digital channels about forensic laboratory operations, highlight the inner workings of the lab, and share insights about pursuing a career in forensic science. Follow EOPSS and MSP social to learn more:

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## Tewksbury 8th annual Fall Harvest Festival now a two day event

TEWKSBURY — The Town of Tewksbury is pleased to announce that it will host the 8th annual Fall Harvest Festival from Saturday, Oct. 1, 2022 through Sunday, Oct. 2, 2022 from 12 - 5 p.m. both days at the Livingston Field Recreation Complex.

For the first time in the history of this event, the Tewksbury Fall Harvest Festival will be a two-day celebration with a touch-a-truck event with helicopter rides on Saturday and the craft and food festival on Sunday. On Saturday, residents will be able to get up close looks at various public safety vehicles, construction vehicles,

and meet up with some of their favorite K9 pals. There will also be helicopter rides with donations for each ride to benefit the Tewksbury Community Pantry.

On Sunday, there will be a variety of fall-themed lawn games, kids crafts, and classic old-time fair contests. Other attractions include a petting zoo, face painting, balloon twister, and live music. With over 80 food and craft vendors, there will be a little something for everyone.

Free parking will be available across three parking lots on Livingston Street including 10 handicap spots in front of the Recreation Center; first

come, first served. Additional parking at the Wynn Middle School, Tewksbury State Hospital, and across from Farmer Dave's on East Street and people may walk down.

This event is sponsored by the Town of Tewksbury with the generous support of the Town Manager's office, Police Department, Fire Department, Department of Public Works and MDR Construction.

The event is at capacity and new vendors are no longer accepted. Any people, especially students, looking for volunteer opportunities should reach out to Alexandra Lowder, [alowder@tewksbury-ma.gov](mailto:alowder@tewksbury-ma.gov)

## Moulton, DiZogio, Ryan, local reps to attend unity breakfast at TCC

TEWKSBURY — The Tewksbury Democratic Town Committee will host its annual Unity Breakfast at the Tewksbury Country Club on Sunday, Sept. 25 from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$40 and includes a full breakfast buffet.

Congressman Seth Moulton and Diana DiZogio, candidate for auditor, will be the featured speakers along with DA Marian Ryan and Tewksbury's local delegation. All candidates for statewide office have been invited, so Tewksbury may get visits from other major nominees as well, depending on their schedules.

"Later this month, Massachusetts Democrats will come together in Tewksbury," said TDTC Chair Cathy Dwyer. "It was a hard-fought but positive primary campaign. Now, the message is clear: We are united. We are organ-

ized. We are energized. And we are inclusive. We hope to see old friends and new at this year's breakfast."

Everyone is invited to

attend. Purchase tickets at EventBrite, [bit.ly/3S6AcRu](https://bit.ly/3S6AcRu), or email the committee at [tewksburydems@gmail.com](mailto:tewksburydems@gmail.com) for options to pay by check.



▲ Tewksbury's legislative delegation: State Representative Dave Robertson, US Rep. Seth Moulton, State Representative Tram Nguyen, and State Representative Vanna Howard. (Courtesy photo)

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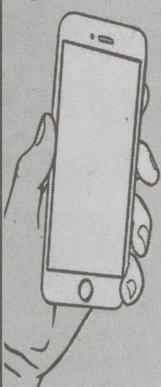
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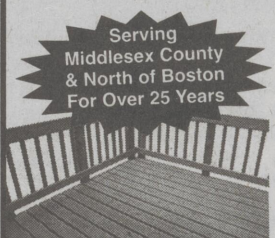
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## Community Market to host TMHS robotics team

TEWKSBURY — The Tewksbury Community Market is scheduled to host 36 vendors and community groups at Livingston Street Park (288 Livingston St.), behind the Recreation Center, on Thursday, Sept. 22, 2022, from 4 to 7 p.m.

The Sept. 22 market line-up includes:

### FARMS & MORE

- Farmer Palmer (garlic)
- Meta Microgreens (microgreens)
- Pleasant Valley Gardens Farm (fresh veggies)
- Tewksbury Public Library's Community Garden (fresh veggies)

### DINNER

#### FOOD TRUCKS

- Birds Nest Italian Street Food (sliders, deep fried manicotti, crispy eggplant fries, mozzarella sticks, fried ravioli)
- Polish Prince Pierogi (pierogi)
- Thwaites Market (hand-held meat pies)

### SWEETS

- Cupcake City (cupcakes)

- Fudge 'n Stuff (fudge, candied nuts, salted & roasted cashews)
- Purple Carrot Bread Co. (breads, pastries)
- Sophie's Apples (candy apples, gourmet apples)
- Sweets Bakery (cake pops, cookies and other baked confections)
- Whoopie Wagon (whoopie pies)

### CAN'T MISS

#### DRINK VENDORS

- Aaronap Cellars (wine)
- Naturel Juicing (cold-pressed juices)
- The Stand (fresh squeeze lemonade)

### CAN'T MISS

#### FOOD VENDORS

- Beckah's Bangin Butter (almond butter)
- Bittersweet Herb Farm (sauces, seasonings, oils, jams, balsamic vinegar)
- Craic Sauce (hot sauces)
- Code 1 BBQ (BBQ favorites)
- Kiss The Cook Mac & Cheese (mac & cheese)
- Seafood Express (seafood)
- Tewksbury Honey (honey)

### ARTISANS,

#### CRAFTERS & MORE

- Amy's Shed Shed Creations (signs, glassware, wreaths, assortment of handmade items)
- Botany Flowers (flowers sold by the stem—make your own arrangements)
- Bracelets By Meliss (bracelets)
- Chaos & Curly (custom wood scrabble tiles, animal mandalas, custom farmhouse signs)
- Dogg Boston (dog accessories & dog treats)
- Everything Alpaca (quality Alpaca products, plus see live alpacas)
- Red Antler Apothecary (hand crafted soaps & natural self-care products)
- This, That & Other Things (home décor)
- Usborne Books (children's books)

### COMMUNITY GROUPS

- AAA Tewksbury
- Community Teamwork
- Tewksbury Lions Club (selling tickets to the Princess Harvest Ball)
- Tewksbury Memorial High School Robotics Team

Most vendors accept both cash and credit. Pleasant Valley Gardens Farm also accepts WIC, SNAP, EBT and all state and federal farmers market coupons.

Visit the Tewksbury Community Market's website at [www.tewksburymarket.com](http://www.tewksburymarket.com) to learn more. Follow the Tewksbury Community Market's Facebook (@TewksburyMarket), Twitter (@TewksburyMarket), and Instagram (@TewksburyCommunityMarket) for additional market updates throughout the season.

The Tewksbury Community Market is organized through the Tewksbury Public Library, in cooperation with several town departments, including the Community Development Department, Health Department and Town Manager's Office.

Have a question about the market? Contact Community/Economic Development Planner Alex Lowder at 978-640-4370 x 248 or [alowder@tewksbury-ma.gov](mailto:alowder@tewksbury-ma.gov) and Community Outreach Librarian Robert Hayes at 978-640-4490 x205 or [rhayes@tewksburypl.org](mailto:rhayes@tewksburypl.org).

## Upcoming local events

Friday, Sept. 23, 2022, voter registration for special Town Meeting, 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall, 1009 Main St.

Saturday, Sept. 24, Public Health Museum Yard Sale, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., 365 East St., Tewksbury. Furniture and accessories. \$10 suggested donation.

Saturday, Sept. 24, Tewksbury Town Clean Up Day, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Stop by town hall for supplies that day. Sign up at [clean.up.tewksbury@gmail.com](mailto:clean.up.tewksbury@gmail.com)

Saturday, Sept. 24, Tewksbury Fire Department vs. Boston Renegades Beep Ball Charity game, 1 p.m., Obdens Field, Livingston Street, Free family event.

Monday, Sept. 26, Finance Committee public hearing on special Town Meeting warrant, 7 p.m., Town Hall 1009 Main St.

Monday, Sept. 26, Alternative House Golf Classic, 8:30 a.m., Mount Pleasant Golf Club, Lowell, <https://alternative-house-annual-golf-outing.perfectgolfevent.com/>

Saturday, Oct. 1, TMHS International Club Car Wash, 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Town Hall, enter on Dewey Street. Donations for Doctors Without Borders.

Monday, Oct. 3, special Town Meeting, TMHS gymnasium, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 23, Tewksbury Safe Halloween, 1 - 3 p.m., Tewksbury Memorial High School. Free event.

## LEGAL NOTICES ARCHIVE

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### LEGAL NOTICE



#### TOWN OF WILMINGTON PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on October 4, 2022 at 7:35 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA for Section 6.6.7.7 Groundwater Protection District Special Permit #22-05, Site Plan Review #22-16, and Stormwater Management Permit #22-13, plan entitled, "Site Plan for ALGRIG USA, Proposed Multi-Tenant Development"; dated August 30, 2022, prepared by Jake Modestow, P.E., Stonefield Engineering & Design, 120 Washington Street, Suite 201, Salem, MA 01970. The application is for an approximately 6,900 sq. ft. commercial building with retail space and a limited service restaurant. Said property is located at 208 Main Street, Wilmington, MA 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map 44 Parcels 178B and 178C.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Terence Boland, Chair  
Wilmington Planning Board  
221200 9/14,21/22

### LEGAL NOTICE



#### TOWN OF WILMINGTON PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on October 4, 2022 at 7:45 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA for a Site Plan Review #22-18 and Stormwater Management Permit #22-14, plan entitled, "Proposed Site Plan, 278 Lowell Street, (Tax Map 72 Lot 1B), Wilmington, Massachusetts"; dated September 7, 2022, prepared by Richard A. Salvo, P.E., Engineering Alliance, Inc., 194 Central Street, Saugus, MA 01906. The application is for the construction of a 10,000 sq. ft. commercial building with associated site work. Said property is located at 278 Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map 72 Parcel 1B.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Terence Boland, Chair  
Wilmington Planning Board  
221201 9/14,21/22

### LEGAL NOTICE



#### TOWN OF WILMINGTON PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on October 4, 2022 at 7:55 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA for a Site Plan Review #22-17 and Parking Relief Special Permit #22-03, plan entitled, "Site Improvements Plan"; dated September 6, 2022, prepared by Eugene T. Sullivan, P.E., Eugene T. Sullivan, Inc., 230 Lowell Street, Suite 2A, Wilmington, MA 01887. The application is for fencing, landscape buffer, mill and overlay of the existing parking lot, and changes to the building exterior. Said property is located at 353 Middlesex Avenue, Wilmington, MA 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map 79 Parcel 31B.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Terence Boland, Chair  
Wilmington Planning Board  
221202 9/14,21/22

### LEGAL NOTICE



#### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

#### MIDDLESEX DIVISION

#### INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

Docket No. MI22P4582EA

Estate of:  
Edward James Bernard  
Also Known As:  
Edward J. Bernard  
a/k/a Edward Bernard  
Date of Death: 5/3/2022

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Frances C. Bernard of Wilmington MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Frances C. Bernard of Wilmington MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

221205 9/21,28, 10/5/22

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to Hugo J. Cruz of 338 Salem Rd. Billerica Ma. Who is the last registered owner of a 2016 Ram Promaster Vin number 3C6TRVAG2GE115039 that your vehicle will be sold at auction on or about 9-22-22 at Fred F Cain Inc. 10 Ranch Rd. Wilmington, Ma. The vehicle will be auctioned to recover towing and storage charges that are past due.

221168

9/7,14,21/22

### LEGAL NOTICE



#### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
10-U Commerce Way  
Woburn, MA 01801  
(781) 865-4000

#### CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI22P4610EA

Estate of: Donna S MacCallum  
Also known as:  
Donna Sandra MacCallum  
Date of Death: 05/28/2022

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by E. Victoria Davis of Ipswich MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: E. Victoria Davis of Ipswich MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/05/2022.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

#### UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Maureen H. Monks, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: September 07, 2022

Tara E. DeCristofaro,  
Register of Probate  
221194 9/21/22

MANCHESTER, NH — It is with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the following students on being named to the summer 2022 President's List. The summer terms run from May to August.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.700 and above for the reporting term are named to the President's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16-week term or paired 8-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer.

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- Katelyn Acker of Wilmington
- Kathryn McNeil of Wilmington
- Julia Gordon of Wilmington
- Erica Malfa of Wilmington
- Cristal Bonaiuto of Tewksbury
- Rachel Joyal of Tewksbury
- Erik Beuerman of Tewksbury

- Jessica Stephens of Tewksbury
- Nicole Doyle of Tewksbury
- Marissa Galat of Tewksbury
- Lauren Gould of Tewksbury

Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) is a private, nonprofit institution with an 89-year history of educating traditional-aged students and working adults. Now serving more than 165,000 learners worldwide, SNHU offers approximately 200 accredited undergraduate, graduate and certificate programs, available online and on its 300-acre campus in Manchester, NH.

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Learn more at [www.snhu.edu](http://www.snhu.edu).

## Man arraigned on kidnapping and firearms charges

TEWKSBURY — Middlesex District Attorney Marian Ryan and Tewksbury Chief of Police Ryan Columbus have announced that Jonathan Perry, 22 of Peabody, has been charged in connection with allegedly assaulting a woman who is known to him, confining her in a vehicle and being in illegal possession of an apparent "ghost gun."

The preliminary investigation suggests that, at approximately 11:07 a.m. on Sept. 13, there was an altercation between the defendant and the victim in the area of Old Boston Road in Tewksbury. The defendant allegedly grabbed the victim and held her in a vehicle he was operating against her will, both physically and by using verbal threats.

Tewksbury Police were subsequently able to identify the possible victim and defendant. They made contact with a family member who was able to confirm that the victim was in need of assistance. Police were eventually able to locate the vehicle in the area of Fuller Street in Stoneham. The defendant and the victim were both inside the vehicle at the time and Perry was arrested without incident.

The defendant was also found to be in possession of a firearm with no serial number or make information as is required by law. The label "P80" was imprinted on the grip. "P80," also known as "Polymer 380" is a company that sells pistol kits, commonly known as "ghost guns" which are untraceable due to the lack of serial numbers. A loaded magazine was also located.

Perry was arraigned last week in Lowell District Court on charges of kidnapping, possession of a large capacity firearm, possession of a large capacity feeding device, assault and battery on a household or family member and possession of ammunition without a license. Perry was ordered held pending a dangerousness hearing scheduled for Sept. 20, 2022.

The Department of Probation also revoked the defendant's probation on a prior case where the defendant pled guilty to the charge of involuntary manslaughter out of Somerville.

These charges are allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Julie C. Foshay to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Residential Mortgage Services, Inc., dated September 13, 2017 and recorded in the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 31476, Page 254 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Residential Mortgage Services, Incorporated to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., recorded on September 25, 2019, in Book No. 33384, at Page 195

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 9:00 AM on October 19, 2022, on the mortgaged premises located at 19 Cedar Street, Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

#### TO WIT:

Land in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts. The land in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, described as two lots, numbered 195 and 196, as shown on a plan entitled "Town Park" Wilmington, Mass. Alfred Milhouse, C.E. February, 1932, said plan recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans numbered 57, and currently known as Lot 67 of Town Map 30.

For mortgagor(s)' title see deed recorded with Middlesex County

(Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 9607, Page 214.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

#### TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.  
Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,  
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.  
150 California St.  
Newton, MA 02458  
(617)558-0500  
20828  
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# Herb Chambers


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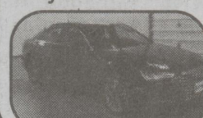
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## Protect your vision with 7 habits for healthy retinas

(BPT) - Habits that support a healthy lifestyle come in many forms, like eating a balanced diet, exercising regularly and keeping an eye on blood pressure and cholesterol levels. But did you know these and other healthy habits can also protect you from vision loss?

Some of the leading causes of blindness and vision loss in the U.S. are retinal diseases, including conditions such as diabetic retinopathy and age-related macular degeneration, often referred to as AMD. There are steps everyone can take to prevent vision loss and support retina health, especially those at a higher risk for retinal diseases.

"With state-of-the-art technologies that allow for early detection and advanced treatments, vision loss and blindness from retinal conditions can be treated effectively, but acting as early as possible is critical to maintaining healthy vision," said American Society of Retina Specialists (ASRS) President Dr. Philip J. Ferrone, MD, FASRS. "To safeguard sight, it's important that everyone know the signs and symptoms of retinal conditions, adopt some simple lifestyle

habits that bolster retina health, and seek care immediately if sudden vision changes occur."

America's retina specialists urge the public to adopt the following healthy habits to preserve healthy retinas and encourage family and friends to also take these steps to protect their sight.

1. Get regular dilated retina exams

Many retinal diseases have few noticeable symptoms in the early stages. With regular dilated retina exams, your eye physician can help preserve your sight by detecting symptoms of a retinal condition early, before extensive damage occurs. After your exam, encourage friends and family to schedule their dilated retina exam.

2. Eat nutritious foods including dark, leafy greens and fish

Research shows that consuming a diet high in Omega-3 fatty acids, lutein and zeaxanthin has been associated with a lower incidence of AMD.

3. Quit smoking

Smoking can also lead to vision loss and blindness. In fact, research shows that people who smoke are significantly more likely than

non-smokers to develop AMD. To access information and help for quitting smoking, call 800-QUIT-NOW (800-784-8669) or visit SmokeFree.gov.

4. Control your blood sugar, blood pressure and cholesterol

If you have diabetes, one of the best ways of lowering your risk of vision loss and preventing diabetic eye disease is to closely monitor and manage your blood sugar, blood pressure and cholesterol levels.

5. Stay active and maintain a healthy weight

Studies have shown that people who walk for exercise are less likely to develop AMD. Exercise also helps control obesity, high blood pressure and cholesterol which benefits eye health. Make staying active a family affair by adding a walk or bike ride to your next family get-together.

6. Know your family history

Ask family members if they have had vision issues. Retinal conditions including AMD, diabetic retinopathy and even retinal detachments may have a genetic component that runs in families.

7. Protect your eyes from the sun



Ultraviolet (UV) rays from the sun can damage not only our skin but also our eyes. Wear a pair of sunglasses that provide 100% UV absorption or block both UVA and UVB rays and a wide-brimmed hat when outdoors.

In addition to family history, common risk factors for retinal disease include older age, smoking and high blood pressure and cholesterol. Pay close attention to your vision and find a retina specialist if you experience common adult symptoms of

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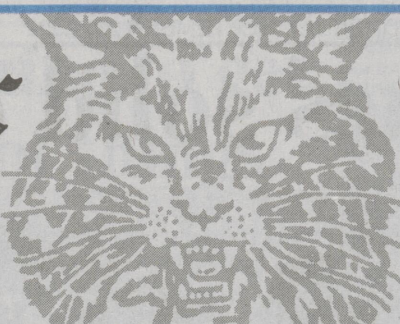
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# Wildcat Football Players: Get Better Soon, Mikey!

With help of Boosters Program, a gift basket sent to Peabody Captain diagnosed with Leukemia

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PEABODY/WILMINGTON - The Wilmington High School Football team may be off to a winless start, but they are certainly winners in the hearts of one Peabody High School Football player and his family.

Back in August, Mikey Mastrocola, a senior captain at Peabody, was diagnosed with B-cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. Matt Williams, the Assistant Sports Editor at the Salem News, wrote a story on August 17th about Mastrocola's news and explained that this form of Leukemia, "is a blood and bone marrow condition that's one of the most common childhood cancers in the world and is considered very treatable. (Mastrocola) will be spending the next month at Boston Children's Hospital receiving inpatient treatments and will then continue his treatments on an outpatient basis after that."

Shanna Sands, the mother of WHS football player Hunter, is also the new Vice President of the WHS Touchdown Club. She came across the story that Williams wrote and wanted to do something.

"When I took on the (Vice President) position, it was important to me that the focus was on our players having a great season, but also making sure that we are looking out for the boys on and off

the field," she explained. "Not every athlete in Wilmington comes from the same economic or family background and they don't all have the same opportunities, so I wanted to make sure we were looking out for those that needed a little bit more support. When I was scrolling through social media, I saw the article on Mikey. I felt like he could have been any one of our players and that he should feel the support of the entire football community. I touched base with (Touchdown Club President) Tina Chirichiello and the other Boosters Board Members and we agreed that it was a cause we wanted the Wilmington boys to support."

Sands then took a trip to one of the Wilmington practices. She explained Mikey's story and immediately the players on the team wanted to help.

"We asked them all to sign a football I provided with well wishes and explained we would be putting together a basket for Mikey (as well)," Sands said. "They lined up and started signing and took the ball into the locker room to get the rest of the team to sign. The boys were definitely taken aback hearing that another Massachusetts teen's season was sidelined by a cancer diagnosis and they were all eager to send their get well wishes."

With the ball signed by all of the members of the



In August, Peabody High School senior Mikey Mastrocola, a captain on the Tanners' Football team, was diagnosed with Leukemia and will miss this entire season. The WHS Touchdown Boosters Club and players, sent a gift basket to Mastrocola last week, which included a football signed by all of the players and many other things to help Mikey during this difficult time. His head coach Mark Bettencourt delivered the basket to Mikey at the Boston Children's Hospital and as you can tell by his smile, this certainly meant a lot to Mikey and his family.

(courtesy photo/Mark Bettencourt).

team, Sands and some helpers then put together a basket for Mastrocola.

"The basket was meant to be comfort themed. It contained the team signed football, a fleece blanket my son and I handmade that had a football pattern," explained Sands. "(There was also) a stainless steel water bottle with a football design. We thought the blanket and water bottle were things

Mikey could use during his treatments and remind him that the football community was behind him. (The basket) also contained a variety of gift cards for different teenage favorite restaurants, since the next thing I know to make a football player smile, is food. A few Wildcat swag items and a note from the team (were also included)."

With the basket full of

all of those heartwarming gifts, Sands then approached Coach Craig Turner to see if he could make the special delivery.

"Coach Turner is waiting on his own special delivery of his new baby, so with his permission, I made arrangements to meet with the Peabody team to deliver the basket," said Sands. "I was assuming I would drop it off to the Peabody

Boosters, but I was asked to reach out to Coach (Mark) Bettencourt himself and we met up late last week. He shared some stories about Mikey as a player and a captain. Mikey truly is a special kid who deserves all the support we as a community can send his way."

While Coach Turner has his hands full - or about to be full literally any day or hour with his second child - he responded to a text Monday night with his thoughts on the connection Wilmington Football has made with Peabody Football.

"Football and in particular football in Massachusetts, is a really tight knit community. When you hear a story like Mikey's, it just breaks your heart. When a young man like him, who puts in all of the work he did, and did everything right, is dealt a hand like he was, you can't help but have your heart break for him," said Turner. "But it's important to know that we're thinking of him and have his back in this battle that he's going through."

"I can't thank Mrs. Sands and the Touchdown Club enough for bringing this to my attention and organizing it all. I'm very proud of our kids for embracing it and understanding the battle Mikey has in front of him and supporting him through this difficult time."

Mikey Mastrocola is a  
MIKEY C7W

Girls Basketball Coach resigns after five successful years at the helm

# Coach Robinson to net more family time

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WILMINGTON - Back in the summer of 2017, when Jessica Robinson was introduced as the new head coach for the Wilmington High Girls Basketball team, the hope was that she could restore the program's winning tradition after a few mediocre seasons. Five years later, Robinson has done exactly that, and she has done it in a classy and professional manner that would make any program proud.

Which is why there will be some very big shoes to

fill next season on the Wilmington High sidelines after Robinson announced last Monday that she was stepping down from her position in order to spend more time with her family. Robinson, who will continue in her role as a special education teacher at Wilmington High, compiled a 56-43 record as the Wildcats head coach, including a 5-3 record in the post season. Her teams made three consecutive state tournament appearances in her first three years as head coach, including a trip to the Division 2 North semifinals in 2020, a season in

which the Wildcats also won their first Middlesex League title since 2012.

Overall, Robinson has only one losing season during her five years with the Wildcats, that being last season's 5-15 campaign during a rebuilding season with a very inexperienced roster. In reality, last season was the only one in which her team failed to qualify for the post season, as the Wildcats 2021 squad posted a winning record of 6-5 in a COVID abbreviated season in which there was no post season tournament.

But beyond all the good times and the winning seasons, the most important part of the job to Robinson was connecting with her players, and the relationships she formed with so many of them over the years. Which is why while she certainly has no regrets about her decision to step down and prioritize her own young family, it was still difficult to step away from a job she loved.

"It's one of those things where life kind of makes the decision for you," Robinson said a couple of days after meeting with the team to announce her resignation. "I think in the back of my mind I kind of knew it was coming. My son started kindergarten, so with both him and my daughter in school, it now means two drop offs and two pick ups, and it's really just me and my husband, so it makes it kind of difficult to fully commit to coaching. So, I always knew it was coming, but I was just hoping to put it off for a little while."

But knowing it was coming still didn't make it any

easier when she had to tell her players of her decision. Robinson and her husband Jason had come to the realization in August that she would not be able to return and she had discussed her decision with Wilmington High athletic director Dennis Ingram during the first week of school.

The problem was finding a time to tell her players, many of whom are participating in fall sports and were unable to meet after school, not to mention Robinson's own very busy after school schedule. But, finally last Monday, she had the opportunity to speak with the group. It was not an easy conversation.

"Dennis was amazing and super supportive through the whole thing. But it took a few weeks into school before I had a chance to talk to the team, so we had to hold off on making it official," Robinson said. "I thought I would be fine, but about ten minutes before the school day I was very nauseous and sweating, and then once we were in the meeting, it was very emotional."

If Robinson and her players were emotional, they were not alone. Ingram, who until recently being named interim athletic director, had been the long time coach of the Wildcats Boys Basketball team, has become very good friends with Robinson, and will miss having her a part of the Wilmington High coaching staff.

"We have become very good friends and colleagues. During the season, we would talk a lot, bouncing things off of each other, so we had

become very close," Ingram said. "I was not surprised, but it is a huge loss for us. She is a great coach, but she is an even better person. I value talking to her and value her opinion. I know it wasn't easy for her, because she is such a great competitor and such a great coach."

Ingram is confident that he will find an excellent coach to take over the girls basketball program, but he also knows that losing Robinson is a tough blow for the program.

"You probably can't even put that into words," Ingram said. "She is a once in a lifetime kind of person that you come across. She is a great mixture of tough and compassionate. She is just exactly the type of coach that you need."

Robinson had already put together quite the resume before taking over at Wilmington High, having helped to rebuild the girls basketball program at ironically, Robinson High School in Tampa, Florida. There she took over a team that had not won a game in three years before her arrival, including an 0-22 record the previous season and, within five years, she had totally rebuilt the program, winning a league title and taking her team to the district finals in 2012. She then spent five years as an assistant coach at Anna Maria College, before coming to Wilmington High and adding even more highlights to her already impressive career.

Along the way, there were several memories that stand out to Robinson, probably none more than the 2020 season

when the Wildcats started the season 0-3, and then went on to finish 17-6 and captured the program's first Middlesex League title since 2012. They were finally eliminated in the sectional semifinals by Pentucket that season, but even that loss provided a great memory for Robinson.

"After the tough start we had, we really came together after the winter break and just had an amazing season," Robinson said. "Against Pentucket, we had a really tough first half, but we came back and played great in the second half, and nearly came back. I was just so proud of their effort."

Another great tournament memory for Robinson came in her first season with Wilmington, when the No. 8 Wildcats, who had beaten No. 9 Swampscott in the first round of the tournament, went on the road in the second round and shocked No. 1 Lynn Classical in a 64-58 victory.

"We had a huge senior class that year and I just remember being so happy that so many of them were part of that big win, to go on the road, and beat the number one seed," Robinson said.

One of the seniors on the squad, Caroline Anderson, led the Wildcats to victory that night, with 21 points and a huge night on the offensive boards. Anderson was just one of many great players whom Robinson coached in her tenure, including five who went on to play college basketball, with

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After five seasons and a 56-43 record, including five state tournament wins, Jess Robinson, who did a fantastic job as the head coach of the Girls Basketball team has resigned. (file photo).



# Boys Soccer continues solid defensive play

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WAKEFIELD - Through four games of the season, you wouldn't think per their record of 0-3-1, that the Wilmington High School Boys' Soccer team has improved based on last year's winless season.

But between injuries, sicknesses, facing the iron of the league early on and then two controversial calls in critical parts of two of the games this year, the 'Cats have done a remarkable job thus far, losing a pair of 1-0 games to Reading and Arlington, ending in a tie with Winchester and then dropping a 4-1 game to Wakefield, which was a 1-1 game for the first 60 minutes until one of those calls went against the 'Cats.

"(Last Friday) against Wakefield, the game is going back and forth in the first half," said head coach Steve Scanlon. "We score with two minutes left in the half. Danny Langunilla scores a nice goal on a shot from probably 16 yards away on a pass from Jonathan Foresyth. That was Dan's first varsity goal and Jonathan's first varsity point. So we're up 1-0 at the half.

"We open the second half and one of their better players gets a goal that was just (impressive). He was about 30 yards away from the net and blasted a shot to the top corner. No one could have done anything about it, just a fantastic goal. Now it's 1-1 and the game is going on, it's competitive and we're going back-and-forth. We are starting to show signs of fatigue, but we're battling. They take a long throw and the referee comes running in and points to the penalty dot. He tells me that one of my guys grabbed (a



The senior members of the 2022 WHS Boys Varsity Soccer team includes front row from left, Gilberto DaSilva, Matt Steinmetz, Charlie Maiella, Mark Donovan, and Patrick LeBlanc; and back row from left, John McNamara, Dominic Feeney, Lukas Charini, Ryan Willson, Cooper Loisel, Dillon McGrath, Tom Sica, and Austin Farrell. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

Wakefield player's) shirt. That stuff was going on all game long, all over the field and then it's called and (basically) decides the game. That came around the midway mark of the second half. Wakefield scored on the penalty kick and that took the wind right out of our sails. The call really decided the game. We just had nothing left in the tank after that."

Wakefield ended up scoring two goals in the last 20

minutes to come away with the 4-1 win.

Two days before that, Wilmington hosted the No. 9 ranked Arlington Spy Ponders held on the grass field at the North Intermediate. The 'Cats out forth another strong effort and just came up short of taking away a point.

"Arlington's obviously a very good team. They are ranked as one of the top teams in the state. They have a lot of firepower

and everything. We played real good and lost 1-0," said Scanlon. "It was another good defensive effort. We didn't mount much of an (offensive) attack, but we did almost tie it up late in the game. With under a minute left in the game, we pull everyone forward off a corner kick. The ball bounces out where (Gilberto DaSilva) has come up to and he hit a ball that went over the crossbar by only six to

eight inches. It was smoked to the corner and he just missed it. If that had gone in, that would have been a dramatic (point for us).

"We played good against a real good team. We're still banged up. I got one player back, but now two more are sick (on top of missing several others with injuries)."

On Tuesday night, the 'Cats were defeated by Stoneham, 2-0, to fall to 0-4-1 on the season.

"We were flat in the first half and gave up a penalty kick goal. We played a better second half, played with more energy and had several good scoring chances. We're just not finishing," said Scanlon.

Wilmington will host Watertown on Thursday night at 6 pm and then travel for the following three games with stops at Melrose on Tuesday, Burlington on the 29th and Lexington on October 3rd.

## While Girls Soccer picks up much needed first victory

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Through the first three games of the young season, the Wilmington High School Girls' Soccer team was matched up against three of the top Middlesex League Liberty Division teams and held their own, ending in a tie with Reading and losing a pair of one-goal games to Winchester and Arlington.

While the ball didn't bounce their way fully with a win during those three games, the rather inexperienced Wildcats proved that they could indeed hang with some of the top echelon teams.

On Friday afternoon at

the Shawsheen Elementary School, the Wildcats faced their first Freedom Division opponent with Wakefield and came away with a 5-0 dominating victory that saw Cate MacDonald and Alli Ganley scored two goals each, and Arianna Cook adding the other.

"This was a much needed win," said head coach Sue Hendee. "There were some people who hadn't seen the field yet and they got a chance today to play and they stepped up to the occasion. I think we took advantage of our scoring opportunities. We had more shots on goal than we probably had in other games but we had more shots that were actually on net. And then we fin-

ished as well."

In the first half, Ganley scored what proved to be the game winner and then Molly MacDonald set up her sister Cat for insurance tally.

In the second half, Cate MacDonald notched her second on a pass from Ella Wingate, and then Ganley added her second as she put home a loose rebound off a shot taken by Molly MacDonald. Cooke then added the fifth as she put home a shot to the low left corner after Ganley, first bounced off a defender to take possession of the ball, before sending it to the far opposite side and MacDonald buried it.

Ganley is rounding out to be one of the better ath-

letes in the school. She was part of the very successful first-year Wilmington/Bedford co-op gymnastics team, which qualified for New Englands, and she made her debut in track with the pole vault mostly and helped the 'Cats win their first ever state championship.

"Alli is the kind of kid that you like having on your team, but not on the other team because she is so feisty and pesky in the defensive third (of the opposing team's end)," said Hendee with a laugh. "And she's fearless. That's how she has gotten most of her goals, pushing past the other people."

Hendee also stated that the sister combination has generated a lot of the 'Cats offense.

"Cate and Molly work really well together. Cate has a lot of polish for being a freshman and pretty sure she's our leading goal scorer at this point," said Hendee.

Last Wednesday, Wilmington was defeated by Arlington, 2-1.

"We definitely played better in the second half.

The first half was a little eh. (Arlington's) polished, they like to move the ball around and they are pretty solid in every position, I would say. It was a back-and-forth game and we had a really solid second half. We were down 2-0 and came back (to make it a game). That's kind of have been a consistency is even though we have gotten down -- although (against Wakefield) it was the first time we have gone up in a game -- the girls have really fought hard and everybody is doing a great job of playing hard."

The lone goal came off the foot of freshman Erin McCarthy, who celebrated with her first varsity goal.

"The ball popped out between 20-to-25 yards out and she just nailed it," said Hendee. "It was a really nice shot."

On Tuesday night, Wilmington traveled to Stoneham and played in the first of two breast cancer fundraising nights with Stoneham returning the favor at Wilmington later in the season. As for the game, Stoneham came away with a 3-2 win and

Wilmington fell to 1-3-1.

Hendee said that Stoneham had a 2-0 lead at halftime after outplaying the 'Cats. The Spartans then went up 3-0 on a penalty kick coming five minutes into the second half.

With about 25 minutes left in the game, the 'Cats got on the board as sophomore Jill Collins chipped a ball in towards the goal from the top of the '18 as senior Ella Wingate crashed the goal and knocked it in.

Shortly after that, Wilmington cut the lead to 3-2 on a goal from Molly MacDonald on an assist from Jill Collins.

Wilmington continued to pressure Stoneham but simply ran out of time.

Ashley Mercier had seven saves in net and Nicole Morello added three as they shared the duties.

"Once again I was incredibly proud of how the girls reacted to being down by a couple of goals. It was a hard fought game and they never gave up," said Hendee.

## Where's the Action?

Day	Date	Sport	Opponent	Time
<b>Wilmington High Sports</b>				
Thursday	Sept 22	V Golf	at Stoneham	3:45 pm
Thursday	Sept 22	V Girls Soccer	at Watertown	4:15 pm
Thursday	Sept 22	V Volleyball	at Watertown	5:30 pm
Thursday	Sept 22	V Boys Soccer	vs Watertown	6:00 pm
Friday	Sept 23	V Field Hockey	at Watertown	4:15 pm
Friday	Sept 23	V Football	at Billerica	7:00 pm
Tuesday	Sept 27	B/G Cross-Country	at Watertown	4:30 pm
Tuesday	Sept 27	V Volleyball	at Medford	5:30 pm
Tuesday	Sept 27	V Girls Soccer	vs Melrose	6:00 pm
Tuesday	Sept 27	V Boys Soccer	at Melrose	6:00 pm
Wednesday	Sept 28	V Field Hockey	vs Melrose	4:00 pm
<b>Tewksbury High Sports</b>				
Thursday	Sept 22	V Field Hockey	at Bedford	3:45 pm
Thursday	Sept 22	V Boys Soccer	vs Lawrence	4:30 pm
Friday	Sept 23	V Field Hockey	vs Triton	4:00 pm
Friday	Sept 23	V Football	vs Belmont	7:00 pm
Monday	Sept 26	V Girls Soccer	at Lawrence	4:00 pm
Monday	Sept 26	V Field Hockey	vs Methuen	4:30 pm
Monday	Sept 26	V Volleyball	at Lowell	5:00 pm
Monday	Sept 26	V Boys Soccer	at Danvers	6:30 pm
Tuesday	Sept 27	V Golf	at Methuen	3:00 pm
Tuesday	Sept 27	V Boys Soccer	at Lowell	6:00 pm
Tuesday	Sept 27	V Girls Soccer	vs Lowell	6:00 pm
Wednesday	Sept 28	V Volleyball	vs Lawrence	5:00 pm
Wednesday	Sept 28	V Field Hockey	at Methuen	6:00 pm
<b>Shawsheen Tech Sports</b>				
Thursday	Sept 22	V Golf	at Gr. Lowell	3:30 pm
Thursday	Sept 22	V Boys Soccer	vs Gr. Lawrence	4:00 pm
Friday	Sept 23	V Volleyball	at Whittier Tech	5:30 pm
Friday	Sept 23	V Football	at Essex Tech	7:00 pm
Monday	Sept 26	V Girls Soccer	at Gr. Lowell	6:00 pm
Tuesday	Sept 27	V Golf	vs Minuteman	3:30 pm
Tuesday	Sept 27	V Boys Soccer	at Dracut	4:00 pm
Wednesday	Sept 28	V Golf	at Burlington	3:30 pm
Wednesday	Sept 28	B/G Cross-Country	vs Gr. Lawrence	4:00 pm
Wednesday	Sept 28	V Volleyball	at Essex Tech	5:30 pm



Wilmington High Girls Varsity Soccer player Julia Archer clears the ball during the team's earlier season game against Winchester. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).



## Volleyball team working to get back into the swing of things

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WILMINGTON - Things haven't gone as planned for the Wilmington High School Volleyball team. It was expected that the team would take some lumps this season, since so many seniors and starting players had graduated, but through the first five games of the season, it seems like the team has to go backwards, and work on some basics at practice in order to get back to where it needs to be in order to compete in the tough Middlesex League.

This past week, the 'Cats were defeated by Arlington 3-2 and then Wakefield, 3-0 (25-13, 25-23 and 25-13) to fall to 0-5 on the season. In those five matches, the 'Cats have only won the two sets against Arlington.

The 'Cats played significantly better against Arlington than the Wakefield game. In that loss, head coach Lauren Donoghue decided to mix things up and move middle hitter Maddie McCarron to the outside, just to see if something would work.

"I did try to put Maddie on the outside to try something different because she does play all the way around with defense, but in the second set against Wakefield, part of the reason why I think we were competing better was

because I did move her back to the middle where she was comfortable," said Donoghue.

McCarron is really the only player with true varsity experience back from last year. A handful of girls did play quite a bit, but weren't on the floor nearly every minute of every set. That being said, putting all new players on the floor together and making them all work together has taken longer than Donoghue has anticipated.

"We're not doing a good job of communicating. Part of that is I think for whatever reason they are not gelling well on the court," she said. "There seems to be a lot of uncertainty and gaining one another's trust is something that we're trying to work on. (For example) calling and committing to the ball and having your teammates trust that you are going to get it."

"Truthfully, offensively is not the struggle that we're having. In prior years, we struggled with being able to have multiple girls being able to swing at the ball. That for the most part has not been an issue. Our mistakes for the most part are all with serve and receive and in some instances, moving the ball around more would be helpful."

For many years the program has struggled with more mental mistakes

than physical ones and Donoghue is hoping that can change quickly.

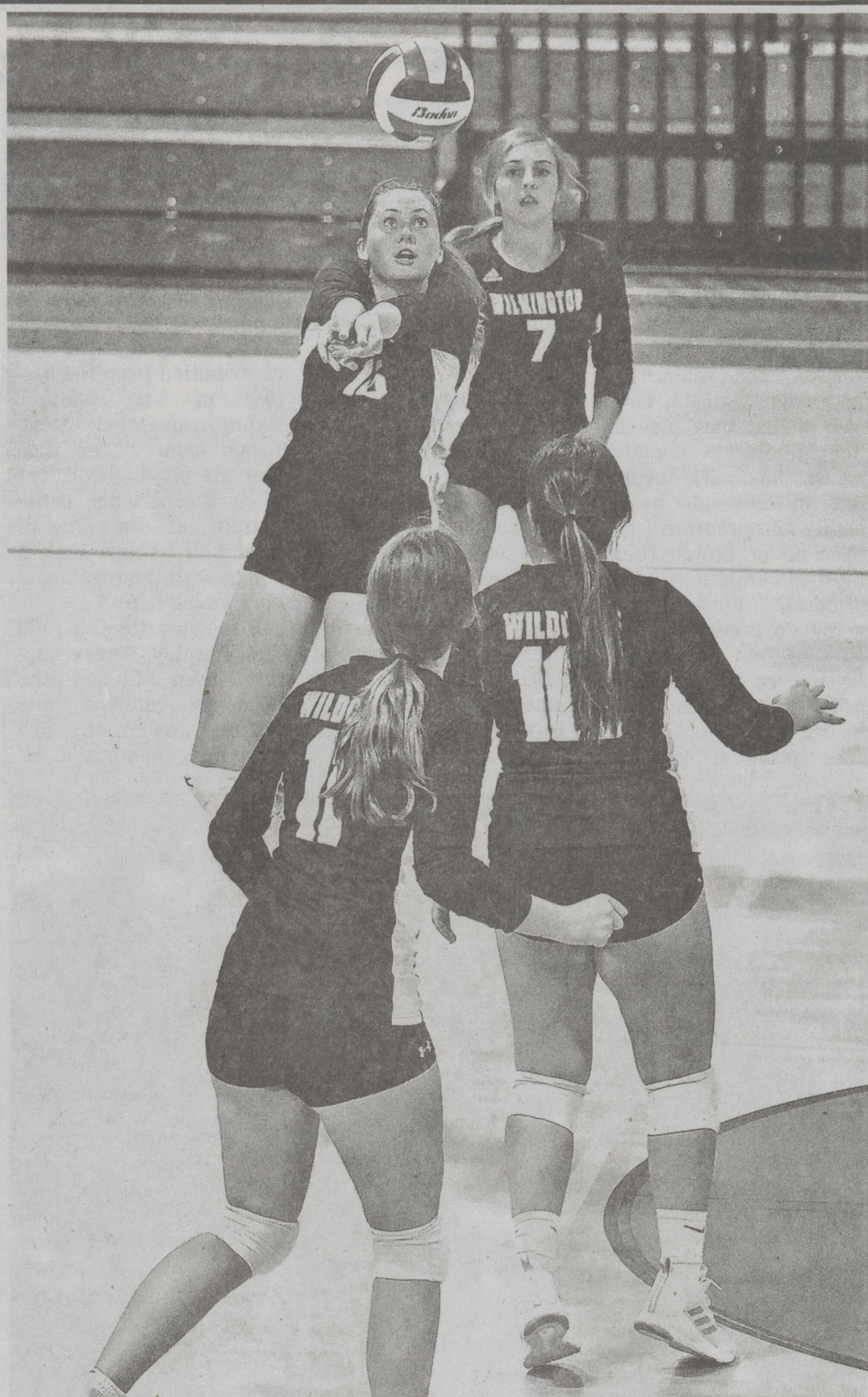
"We're also struggling with the mental toughness aspect. We went into the Wakefield match playing as if we had already lost. We need the team to start building confidence. The way we played against Winchester, if we played that way against Wakefield, we would have won. In that Winchester game, we did a great job of playing aggressively, picking up things that maybe they didn't expect to pick up before and that didn't happen against Wakefield."

On Tuesday night, the tides did turn as the Wildcats came away with a 3-1 win over Stoneham. After dropping the first set, 20-25, the 'Cats came back to win the next three, 25-15, 25-8 and 25-22.

McCarron finished with 11 kills, Shaylan Bresnahan had six, while Annabelle Lozzi and Sofia Scalfani had three each. McCarron and Mia Vestal combined for a whopping 21 aces.

"We played well overall. I'm happy that we won and I'm looking forward to Thursday's match," said Donoghue.

Wilmington is on the road on Thursday against Watertown and then Tuesday against Medford before hosting No. 15 ranked Melrose on the 29th starting at 6 pm.



From bottom to top, Sophia LaVita, Mia Vestal, Madelyn McCarron and Sofia Scalfani all work together to get the ball over the net during a recent WHS Varsity Volleyball game. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

## Field Hockey team looking to jump start its offense

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WILMINGTON - Before Tuesday's games, the Wilmington High School fall teams - minus cross-country which hadn't open their season yet - are a combined 2-24-2.

Part of the reason for the poor record is each of the teams start out the season by facing the powerhouses of the Middlesex League. Another reason is almost all of those fall teams lost most of their varsity rosters with the large senior class from a year ago and lastly, almost all of the fall teams this year are small in numbers and have the vast majority of its athletes new to the varsity.

All that being said, it's going to take some time before the wins start to pile up. In the case of the Wilmington High School Field Hockey team, the effort - just like from the other fall sports - is certainly there. It's just a matter of putting things together in the right place in terms of execution on the fields.

The WHS Field Hockey team has one of the two wins, beating neighbor Tewksbury, 2-1, in the season opener. Since then, they have dropped five straight, including three this week against Arlington (2-0), North Andover (1-0) and Wakefield (2-1) to fall to 1-5-0 on the season.

"They have been working so hard in the practices and the games," said head coach Leanne Ebert. "They never quit and played until the very end every single time and for that we are very proud. After (Monday's) game (against Wakefield), we're going to go back to practice (on Tuesday), work on the things that we need to work on and it's just a matter of stringing that all together and figuring out what's going to work out best."

While it's hard enough to have a roster full of inexperienced players, Wilmington has also been short-handed lately.

"We've had to already at this early part of the season, had to deal with a few sicknesses. We've had a few kids out for a few days as they have been sick and now we have kids who are playing positions

or in areas that they aren't used to it, but it's great that they are willing to help out wherever we need," said Ebert. "We're going to get it all together. We're focusing now on

Stoneham and it'll be on the grass so we'll be practicing (Tuesday) on the grass to get ready for it. Tomorrow is a new day and these kids have the heart and have the will

and they want it so that's more than half of the battle. We just have to put the little things together to make it work."

In the loss to Wakefield, Bella Piazza scored the

lone goal meaning four different girls have found the net in the five games with Alexis Melvin, Abigail Hassell and Sarah Bryan the others.

Wilmington traveled to

Stoneham on Wednesday with results not known as of presstime and then will take a trip to Watertown on Friday before coming home to face Melrose next Wednesday.

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# On the links, the Wildcats continue to improve

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WILMIINGTON - Despite a young and inexperienced roster, the Wilmington High Golf team has continued to improve as the season has gone on. The problem for the young Wildcats, however, is that they play in the Middlesex League, where basically every team in the league has a quality golf program. As a result, despite their improvements, the Wildcats have been unable to break into the win column, dropping three more matches this past week to fall to 0-7 on the season. The problem for the

Wildcats, in addition to the stiff competition in the Middlesex League is that so many of their players are still largely inexperienced. So, while the bottom of their lineup has improved by leaps and bounds over the past few weeks, many of them have still only played in three or four varsity matches since joining the Wildcats. This past week the Wildcats suffered losses to Wakefield last Tuesday by a score of 50.5-21.5, Watertown last Thursday by a score of 52.2-19.5 and then Arlington on Monday of this week by a score of 45-27 at Hillview Golf Course. In each of those matches, the top half of the

Wildcats lineup competed fairly well with their opposition, but their lack of depth saw them come up short. "I told the group today, that we are competing to a point, but like a baseball team, we need more of a contribution from the bottom of our lineup," Wilmington coach Steve Lynch said. "The first four are playing well, but we lack experience at the bottom of the lineup. That will happen with a young team and we are a very young team." In the loss to Wakefield last Tuesday, senior captain Owen Mitchell, the Wildcats number one player was their low medalist, shooting a 41.

Unfortunately for the Wildcats, that still resulted in a 5.5-3.5 loss. Fellow senior Patrick Stokes, playing out of the number two slot, shot a 46 to earn a 4.4-4.5 tie, while sophomore Abigail Mitchell also picked up a 4.5-4.5 tie playing at number five. One Wildcats newcomer, senior Austin Harper, was not able to pick up a win, but played well in dropping a 5-4 decision out of the number seven slot. "As a newcomer, Austin did really well," Lynch said. "And Abigail played well also. In this case the bottom of the lineup played well and helped us, but they were facing some very good competition." Against Watertown on Thursday, on the challenging course at Oakley Country Club, the Wildcats got 5-4 wins from Stokes as well as juniors Bobby Cyr and Joe Galvin. Cyr shot a 46,

while both Stokes and Galvin shot a 47 to pick up their wins. "It was great to see them play well and to get those wins, especially on such a tough course," Lynch said. The second half of the lineup struggled on the extremely difficult course, but eighth grader Dennis Reppucci did his best to meet the challenge despite losing 7-2. "For him to get two points on a course like that is pretty good for an eighth grader," Lynch said. "He has been getting better and he will be somebody we will see continue to improve over the next few years." A perfect example of just how tough the Middlesex League is was on display on Monday of this week in the loss to Arlington. Owen Mitchell fired a career best 37, Bobby Cyr and Joe Galvin. Cyr shot a 46,

all it netted him was a 4.5-4.5 tie. "He played great. He had two birdies on the day in very tough weather conditions," Lynch said. "But he faces the best player on the other team every time out there, so it is tough for him to get a win." Stokes also earned a 4.5-4.5 tie with a score of 46, while Cyr shot a 47 to lose his match 5-4 and Galvin won his match 5-4 with a 46. Harper, meanwhile, battled to the end in his match at number seven before losing by a score of 5-4. The Wildcats will be back in action on Thursday when they travel to Middlesex League rival Stoneham for a 3:45 pm match at Bear Hill Golf Course.



Austin Harper (left) lets one fly and Ayden Balter (above) studies to see where his shot should go, during the Golf Team's match at Reading held recently. (photos by JoeBrownphotos.com).

## In cross-country season opener, girls pull out a win, boys defeated

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READING - The Wilmington High School girls and boys cross-country teams finally opened their season on Tuesday afternoon with a Middlesex League cross-over meet against the Rockets of Reading. The Wilmington girls away with an impressive 25-32 win, while the boys were defeated, 16-42. Dating back to the start of last season, the girls team has now won six meets in a row. "It was a good win for the girls over a Liberty Division team. Although the team is small, there is a lot of talent and they have been running a lot of mileage to build up their running base. This meet was a chance to see what kind of race shape the kids are in and we hope to improve our times as the season progresses," said first-year head coach Joe Patrone. Sophomore Addy Hunt led the way, winning the entire 5K race with a time of 20:24. She was followed by junior Hannah Bryson, who was second at 20:51 and eighth grader Charlotte Kiley at 21:01 as the visitors took the top three spots in the meet. Senior Mallory Brown, in her first cross-country meet, was seventh overall

at 22:27 and that was after being ill over the weekend. Junior Mia Stryhalaleck battled stomach cramps throughout the race but still put forth a strong effort to finisher was Dean and this was his very first cross country race and it was a great debut. With 200 meters to go he was in sixth place and he out-kicked a Reading runner to take the fifth place," said Patrone. Coming in behind Ciampa included junior Jameson Burns, who was seventh at 19:14, senior Roman Moretti, who was

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Division 2
1. Holliston
  2. Pentucket
  3. Whit. Christian
  4. Austin Prep
  5. Dover-Sherborn
  6. Amherst
  7. Pembroke
  8. Newburyport
  9. Longmeadow
  10. Wilmington

ish 12th at 24:33. Also competing for the 'Cats included freshman Cayley Israelson, who was 15th at 26:31, freshman Kaitlyn Shackelford, who was 18th at 27:53 and freshman Bella Zaya was 19th at 28:11. Turning to the boys team, Reading had the top four finishers before sophomore Dean Ciampa came across fifth at 19:03 becoming the first with a Wildcat jersey to cross the line. "The boys lost to a very strong Reading team. We had a lot of new runners on the team and they ran extremely well getting faster each mile over the 3.1 mile course. The top

ninth at 19:36, freshman Jake Cronin was 10th at 20:03 and then senior Braydon Gorski, running in his first varsity meet, was 12th overall at 20:19. Also competing for the Wildcats included freshman David Dynan (13th at 20:25), senior Noah Carriere in his first varsity meet (16th at 20:31), sophomore Vibush Sivakumar (18th at 20:42),

freshman Gavin Dong (21st at 20:59), junior Michael Dynan (22nd at 21:02), freshman Conor Burns (26th at 21:13), sophomore Spencer Bagtaz (27th at 21:36), junior Nick Samaha ran a huge personal best finishing 29th at 22:51 and freshman Evan Cummings (31st at 23:47). "It was a great start to the season as we were able to see how our training has been getting us

ready to run. We are a very young team with a lot of potential and we know that we will run better as season progresses," said Patrone. Both the boys and the girls teams will be running at the Frank Kelley Invitational at Wrentham on Saturday morning and then next Tuesday both teams will travel to face Watertown in a Middlesex League Freedom Division Meet.



Above eighth grader Charlotte Kiley and to the right freshman Jake Cronin, in action for the girls and boys cross-country teams during the meet on Tuesday at Reading. (photos by JoeBrownphotos.com).





# 'Cats run the ball effectively again ... but turnovers a problem again

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WILMINGTON - Two games into the season, a few things have become clear about the Wilmington High Football team. First of all, it looks like they can run the ball with the best of them out of their Wing-T offense, as for the second game in a row, they piled up over 200 yards rushing. Second, they look like they have a defense capable of coming up with some key stops when they need it. But, third, they also found out that they are probably their own worst enemy, making mistakes at critical times and giving up big plays in big moments. And unfortunately for the Wildcats, through two games, those mistakes and big plays have negated any of the positive things they have done, which was the case once again last Friday night in their home opener, when the Wildcats suffered a hard fought 10-7 loss to non-league rival Greater Lowell at Alumni Stadium.

The loss drops the Wildcats to 0-2 on the season, with a matchup against a high powered Billerica squad on the horizon for this Friday night.

Friday night's game featured three turnovers by the Wildcats, including a fumble inside their own 20-yard line late in the first half which led to the Gryphons only touchdown of the game. As it usually does, the turnover differential proved to be the biggest difference in the outcome of this game.

The Wildcats defense was stellar for much of game, limiting Greater Lowell to a total of 155 total yards on the night, making several tackles in the backfield for lost yardage and even coming up with a pair of interceptions of their own. But, when it mattered most, the Gryphons put together

their most impressive drive of the night to put themselves in field goal range, where junior Jayson Frasca drilled what would prove to be the game winning 33-yard field goal to give the Gryphons a 10-7 lead with 42 seconds left in the game.

Wilmington had one last chance, taking over with 34 seconds left in the game, and driving from their own 21-yard line to the Greater Lowell 27 with six seconds left, but a 44-yard field goal attempt came up short as time expired.

"When you turn the ball over like crazy, that's what's going to happen," Wilmington coach Craig Turner said. "I mean, it's hard to get mad at the defense, they played great and stopped them all night, but we also gave up some big third downs all night. Last week (against Arlington Catholic) I felt like it as an effort thing for us. That was not the case tonight. They played their tails off, but we just made big, big mistakes in big spots."

That included the game winning for the Gryphons. After a holding penalty negated what would have been an 82-yard touchdown run on the first play of the drive, moving the ball back to the Gryphons 15-yard line with just over eight minutes left in the game, the Wildcats appeared poised to get off the field with a three and out, with Greater Lowell facing a 3rd-and-6 from the 22 yard line.

However, sophomore quarterback Brendan Arsenault, making his first varsity start, connected with Frasca for a 20-yard gain to keep the drive alive, and later in the drive, facing a 3rd-and-14, the duo again connected, this time for 29 yards, down to the Wilmington 33-yard line. The drive eventually stalled at the Wildcats 16-yard line, but Frasca, who

had also scored the Gryphons only touchdown of the game, came on and calmly snuck his kick just inside the left upright for the game winning points.

"It was third and a mile and we blew a coverage," Turner said of the 3rd and-14 conversion. "That's exactly what you can't do in that spot. But, credit to them, they took advantage of it. That's what we are talking about, in those big spots we have to be solid, and do what we are supposed to do, as opposed to losing focus and going somewhere where you are not supposed to be. If we are where we are supposed to be, that play is a pick."

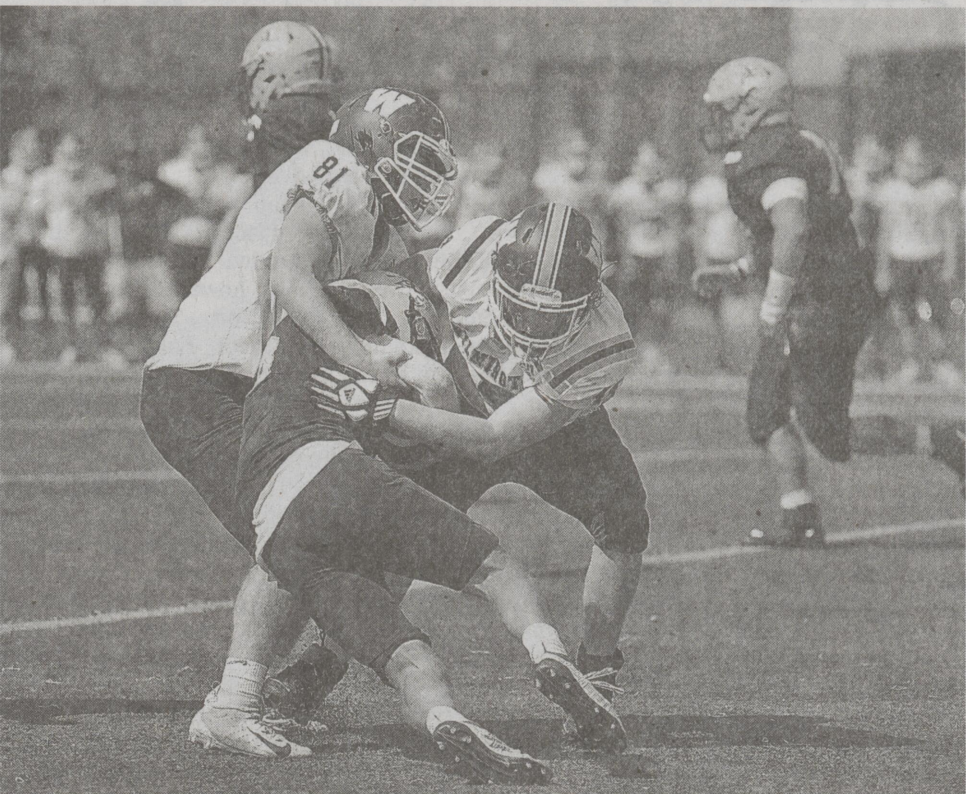
Taking over at their own 21-yard line with just 34 seconds left in the game, and just one timeout, things looked bleak for the Wildcats, but behind senior quarterback Jacob Roque, who was also making his first varsity start, they actually put together an impressive drive, started with a 17-yard hookup between Roque and tight end Noah Spencer to the 38-yard line, followed by a 12-yard pass to Christian Febbo to bring the ball to midfield. After a spike by Roque, he connected with Mike Lawler for 23 yards down to 27-yard line with six seconds left.

Rather than risk one more play and running out of time, Turner elected to try a 44-yard field goal, but junior kicker Hunter Sands' bid fell short of its mark.

"We felt like we needed to get to 25. He had hit one from 40 in pregame, which was four or five yards over the upright, so when we got to the 27, with just six seconds left, we felt like we had to take a shot at it," Turner said. "A 44-yard field goal is not a very high percentage kick."

Wilmington had taken an early lead in this one, when Roque (7 carries, 116 yards) had broken free for a 76-yard touchdown run down the right sideline. Sands extra point kick made it 7-0 in favor of the Wildcats with 4:49 left in the first quarter.

It looked like that's how the score would remain into the half, particularly when Wilmington's Christian Febbo picked off a Gryphons pass with 1:25 left in the half to give the



In Wilmington's season opening loss to Arlington Catholic, Noah Spencer (81) and Charlie Chirrichielo (44)

Wildcats the all at their own 25-yard line. It was the second interception in as many games for Feebo and it looked like the Wildcats would, at the very least go into the half leading 7-0, if not better. But on the very next play, a fumble returned the ball to the Gryphons at the Wildcats 19-yard line. Five plays later, Arsenault connected with Frasca on a two-yard scoring pass, that coupled with Frasca's extra point kick, tied the game at 7-7 with seven seconds left in the half.

The teams traded turnovers in a fast moving third quarter, with senior Owen Cushing coming up with a pick for Wilmington, only to see Frasca return the favor for the Gryphons late in the quarter.

Just before the game winning drive for the Gryphons, Wilmington had driven to the Greater Lowell 20-yard line, behind some tough running from junior Julien Cella, but facing a fourth and three, they came up one yard short, setting up the Gryphons for the game winning drive. The Wildcats had also put together an impressive drive to start the second half, driving from their own 32-yard line to the Greater Lowell 13. But a 3rd-and-7 pass fell incomplete and a 30-yard field goal attempt sailed just wide to the left, keeping the score deadlocked at 7-



Wilmington High junior Hunter Sands jumps off the line before going out for a pass attempt during the 'Cats season opening loss to Arlington Catholic.

(photo by Bob DeChiara).

7 at the time.

The Wildcats will be back in action on Friday night at 7:00 pm, when they travel to Billerica High to take on a 2-0 Indians squad, who is coming off a 32-14 win over Westford, after a 38-0 win over Lowell in the season opener. Turner knows his team will need to be better if they are going to compete with the powerful Indians.

"Like I said, I thought the effort was there tonight, but the execution has to be better, especially with what we have coming up," Turner said. "We have to figure ourselves out. It really doesn't have anything to do with Billerica. Obviously, they are a very good team, they are very tough, and it's a monumental challenge, but we need to fix Wilmington before we worry about anyone else."

## Week 2 Football Scores

### Middlesex League

Gr. Lowell 10, Wilmington 7  
Melrose 46, Malden 26  
Reading 37, Barnstable 22  
Woburn 36, Burlington 7  
Waltham 17, Winchester 6  
Watertown 28, Hamilton-Wenham 7  
Hingham 49, Arlington 0

### Merrimack Valley Conference

Andover 41, Acton-Boxboro 15  
Billerica 32, Westford 14  
Chelmsford 48, Lexington 0  
Methuen 38, Marshfield 28  
Dracut 18, Pentucket 14  
Central Catholic 17, St. John's Prep 7  
Tewksbury 27, Lowell 7  
North Andover 35, Beverly 14  
Somerset-Berkley 48, Lawrence 22

### Commonwealth Athletic Conference

Gr. Lowell 10, Wilmington 7  
Lowell Catholic 37, Ipswich 6  
Essex Tech 40, Blue Hills 14  
North Reading 44, Gr. Lawrence 17  
Shawsheen Tech 27, Triton 20  
Northeast 40, Saugus 12  
Man-Essex 40, Whittier 8

### Week 3 Schedule

#### Middlesex League

##### Friday's Games

Melrose at Lexington, 6  
Northeast at Wakefield, 6  
Winchester at Masconomet, 6:30  
Brookline at Arlington, 7  
Belmont at Tewksbury, 7  
Burlington at Cambridge, 7  
Danvers at Reading, 7  
Bedford at Woburn, 7  
Wilmington at Billerica, 7

##### Saturday's Game

Stoneham at Dennis-Yarmouth, 1

### Merrimack Valley Conference

##### Friday's Games

Marblehead at North Andover, 6  
Belmont at Tewksbury, 7  
St. John's Prep at Haverhill, 7  
Lowell at Methuen, 7  
Chelmsford at Dracut, 7  
Wilmington at Billerica, 7  
Andover at Lawrence, 7

##### Saturday's Game

Central Catholic at St. John's (S), 12

### Commonwealth Athletic Conference

##### Friday's Games

Northeast at Wakefield, 6  
Nashoba Tech at Whittier, 6  
Northeast at Gr. Lowell, 6  
Gr. Lawrence at Salem, 7  
Shawsheen at Essex Tech, 7

##### Saturday's Game

Lee at Lowell Catholic, 11 am

## WHS Football Box Score and Stats

### GREATER LOWELL 10, WILMINGTON 7

Greater Lowell (1-1)	0	7	0	3	-	10
Wilmington (0-2)	7	0	0	0	-	7

#### Score by Quarters

WL - Jacob Roque 76-run (Hunter Sands kick)  
GL - Jayson Frasca 2-pass from Brendan Arenault (Frasca kick)  
GL - Frasca 33 Field Goal

#### Team Stats

	GL	W
First Downs	9	12
Rushes-Yards	35-86	28-214
Pass-Att-Int	6-13-2	4-11-1
Passing Yards	79	82
Total Yards	155	296
Penalties-Yards	7-50	3-30
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-2

#### Individual Stats

Passing: Greater Lowell, Brendan Arsenault 6-for-13, 79 yards, 1 TD, 2 INT's; Wilmington, Jacob Roque 4-for-11- 82 yards, 0 TD, 1 INT.  
Rushing: Greater Lowell, Aviren Chitpaseuth 12-54; Brendan Arsenault 15-19; Jayson Frasca 5-19; Axel Diaz 3 - (-6); Wilmington, Jacob Roque 7-119; 1 TD, Michael Lawler 15-63; Julien Cella 5-26; Peter LeBlanc 1-6.  
Receiving: Greater Lowell, Jayson Frasca 3-51, 1 TD; Aviren Chitpaseuth 3-28; Wilmington, Michael Lawler 2-53; Noah Spencer 1-17; Christian Febbo 1-12.

### SEASON STATS

#### Score by Quarters

Wilmington	7	0	14	7	-28
Opponents	14	7	14	3	-38

#### Team Stats

	W	Opp
First Downs	32	12
Rushes-Yards	84-473	44-248
Pass-Att-In	8-19-1	13-24-3
Passing Yards	163	175
Total Yards	636	423
Penalties-Yards	5-40	11-85
Fumbles-Lost	7-5	0-0

#### Individual Stats

Passing: Jacob Roque 4-for-11, 82 yards, 0 TD, 1 INT, Michael Lawler 3-for-5, 60 yards, 1 TD, 0 INT; Colin Allard 1-for-3, 21 yards, 0 TD, 0 INT.  
Rushing: Michael Lawler 41-183, 1 TD; Jacob Roque 7-119, 1 TD; Julien Cella 21-119, 1 TD; Peter LeBlanc 6-42; Nik Iacone 4-16; Colin Allard 5 (-6).  
Receiving: Noah Spencer 5-98,1 TD, Michael Lawler 2-53, Christian Febbo 1-12.  
Scoring: Michael Lawler 1 TD, 6 points, Julien Cella 1 TD, 6 points, Jacob Roque 1 TD, 6 points, Noah Spencer 1 TD, 6 points, Hunter Sands 4 PAT kicks, 4 points.

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## Shawsheen Tech Sports Round-Up

## Girls Soccer team on its way back up

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**BILLERICA** – After a bit of a rough start to the season, it would appear that the Shawsheen Tech Girls Soccer team is on the right path, having won three of their last four games, including two this past week to give them a 3-2 record on the season, and match their win total from a season ago when they were 3-10-1.

After starting their week with a 4-0 loss to CAC powerhouse Essex Tech last Tuesday, the Rams pulled themselves together and picked up a pair of impressive wins, first routing CAC rival Northeast Metro Tech in a home game last Thursday, before taking to the road to pull off a shocker, with a 2-1 victory over non-league rival Lowell High School on Saturday.

“It was a good week for us,” Shawsheen coach Doug Michaud said. “Essex Tech is going to be tough to beat this season, but I thought we played pretty well against them. Their coach commented to me after the game that he thought our team looked very good this season, so that was nice to hear.”

The Rams continued to play well against Northeast, but this time they were rewarded with a 5-0 blowout victory, led by a pair of goals from senior captain Kerry Brown, while sophomore forward Kendra Minghella of Tewksbury, sophomore midfielder Judith Sloman and senior midfielder Caitlyn April each added solo tallies. Sloman also had three assists on the day after being moved to the midfield.

“Judith had a great game. She was outstanding,” Michaud said. “It was great to have her in the middle with Caitlyn. She did a great job in there.”

Also doing a great job as usual for the Rams was Brown, who since making the move from defense to forward has given the Rams offense a major spark. Her two goals in this one both came in the first five minutes of the game, setting the tone for the rest of the day.

“It was great to get off to a start like that,” Michaud said. “Kerry has been great. Putting her up front has definitely changed our attack. Kendra (Minghella) has also been a big part of that. She is just so quick out there and she covers so much ground, that there are a lot of eyes on her and it helps to free up Kerry.”

“Kerry really attacks well. I think having her back on defense for a while allowed her to see the field better. In addition to her offense, she

also understands what the other team is doing defensively.”

Sophomore goalie Sydney MacPherson of Wilmington wasn’t extremely busy in this one, needing to make only six saves, but the result was her first varsity shutout. The shutout was part of a big week for MacPherson, who also held Lowell scoreless for much of their contest until she was finally beaten on a late goal.

“It was nice to see Sydney get the shutout,” Michaud said. “She has been playing well and working hard. Hopefully as we keep improving defensively, she will have the opportunity for more of those this season.”

Saturday against Lowell was not only a strong defensive effort for the Rams, but a great effort in all facets of the game as they stunned their opponents from the MVC with a 2-1 victory at Cawley Stadium.

The Rams got goals from junior midfielder Riley Rourke of Wilmington, as well as senior defender Lindsay McCarthy. Brown and April each had an assist in the game, while MacPherson had six saves in this one as well, to pick up another win.

Brown and Rourke connected on a terrific goal to get the Rams on the board.

“Riley was going to the net and she got a great pass in front from Kerry and just kind of tapped it in,” Michaud said. “It was a great play by the both of them.”

The Rams led 2-0 before Lowell added a late goal to avoid the shutout. The Rams held a huge edge in territorial play as well. While Lowell is not exactly the best team in the MVC, Michaud was still pleased to see his team come away with a victory over a team from such a tough league.

“I think we played better against Lowell than we did against Northeast. We were more in sync with each other and we were passing the ball well,” Michaud said. “Hopefully this will give us confidence going forward, because that is the one thing they are lacking. We are so much better than last year, but we just need them to realize that, so hopefully we can build on this.”

The Rams will be back in action on Monday when they travel to Tyngsboro to take on Greater Lowell in a CAC matchup, with kickoff scheduled for 6:00 pm.

## GOLF

It was another successful week for the Shawsheen Tech Golf team, as the Rams went 2-1 on the week to improve to 6-1 on the season, with

two of those wins coming over CAC opponents to keep their league record perfect at 5-0. Shawsheen sandwiched league wins over Lowell Catholic (151-78) on Tuesday, and Greater Lawrence (150-100) on Thursday around a loss to non-league rival Billerica (167-156) on Wednesday.

The loss to Billerica at Patriot Golf Course on Wednesday made a little bit of history of sorts for the Rams, although they would probably rather not have. The loss snapped an incredible streak of 38 straight dual match wins for the Rams, stretching back to late September of 2019 when they dropped a dual meet match to non-league rival Bedford to drop their record on the season at the time to 6-4 overall. They would go on to win their final six matches of that season to finish 12-4, and then post records of 10-0 in 2020, 17-0 in 2021 and then 5-0 this season before finally tasting defeat on Wednesday.

The Rams actually played well enough to win against Billerica, led by junior captain Matt Tramonte of Tewksbury, who shot a 37 to score 32 points for the Rams. Sophomore Tyler Tsoukalas followed close behind with a 38 for 31 points. Chase Darcey chipped in with a 40 for 27 points, while junior Derek Nazzaro of Tewksbury shot a 45 for 21 points and junior Liam Milne shot a 45 for 20 points.

“We had a lot of boys play really well,” Struthers said. “But we also had a couple of kids come in with scores a little higher than normal, and that will hurt you against a team like Billerica. But overall, I felt like we did well against them.”

The day before, at Four Oaks, the Rams had rolled to the 151-78 victory over Lowell Catholic, led by Tramonte, who shot a 33 for 38 points, while Tsoukalas shot a 39 for 26 points, Milne shot a 41 for 24 points, while sophomore Larry Cullity shot a 44 for 22 points and freshman Max Carpenter shot a 44 for 21 points.

On Thursday, the Rams wrapped up their week with another blowout win, this time over Greater Lawrence by a score of 150-100. This time around, it was Liam Milne leading the way, shooting a 34 for 38 points.

“That was Liam’s best round ever, so that was fantastic to see” Struthers said. “What is great about this team is that we have so many kids who can step up and play well. We know we have Matt and Tyler at the top of our lineup, who are so consistent, but to have someone like Liam, who can shoot that kind of score is just fantastic.”

Other scorers on the day for the Rams included Tsoukalas with a 37 for 32 points,

Tramonte with a 39 for 30 points, Cullity with a 46 and 18 points and Aidan Fortunato with a 47 for 17 points.

The Rams will look to continue their winning ways on Thursday in a road match against Greater Lowell, before returning home to take on Minuteman next Tuesday at Patriot Golf Course.

## CROSS COUNTRY

It was a light week of work for the Shawsheen Tech Cross Country team, at least in terms of meets, with the girls team having the week off, while the boys hosted Lowell Catholic last Wednesday afternoon at Shawsheen.

But when they did a chance to compete, the Rams took full advantage of the opportunity, with the boys team coming away with an exciting 30-27 win over Lowell Catholic to improve their record to 2-0 on the season.

The Rams, who were without one of their top runners, junior Will Biscan of Wilmington having to miss the meet due to illness, but the rest of the Rams stepped up, starting with sophomore Noah Brooks of Tewksbury along with senior Ben Hollenbeck.

“It was a little closer than I would have liked it to be,” Shawsheen coach Dan Dorazio said. “It was tough with Will out, because he is one of our top runners, so I think if he was in there, it would have been more convincing. But, all things considered, I have to be happy that we were able to come up with a win.”

Dorazio was especially happy of course with Brooks, who was the top Rams finisher, and finished second overall in a time of 20:51, followed close behind by Hollenbeck in third place in 20:58. As impressive as Brooks was, Dorazio is looking for even better things from the talented sophomore in the weeks to come.

“Noah was unable to run as much as usual this week and you could see it,” Dorazio said. “Normally, I think he would have been able to stay with their top runner. But he has been right back at it in practice this week, and he can’t wait to get back out there and race again.”

Junior Gordon Noble was third for the Rams and sixth overall in a time of 21:28, while freshman Ralph Raymond of Tewksbury was just behind him in 28:29.

“We have a lot of talented runners,” Dorazio said. “Will is an excellent runner, but we have to reel him in sometimes because

he will just do too much. Ralph Raymond is learning that same lesson. He works so hard, but sometimes he just needs to rest. Gordon was a big key for us as well. We have a good group of kids who are taking turns stepping up for us.”

Rounding out the Rams scoring were senior Logan Pyles of Wilmington in ninth place in a time of 21:48, junior Patrick Tassone of Wilmington in 22:06, and senior Caden Schernig in 22:58.

In addition to coming up with some key points for the Rams, Pyles and Schernig were recently named captains of the boys squad, an honor which Dorazio says is well deserved for two of the hardest working members of the team.

“I don’t think I could have made a better choice, and all of the coaches were in agreement,” Dorazio said. “They are just a couple of great kids, who lead by example. They worked so hard this off season, particularly Caden. I couldn’t believe the condition he came into tryouts and it shows. I have a lot of respect for people who step up like that, because it shows what you can do if you work hard enough.”

Both Rams squads will be off this week, but they will be back in action next Wednesday when they host CAC rival Greater Lawrence at 4:00 pm.

## VOLLEYBALL

After winning just three games all of last season, the Shawsheen Tech Volleyball looks intent on eclipsing that mark very early this season, as this past week they picked up two more wins and are already off to a terrific start to the season.

The Rams swept to victory in both of their match last week, beating Lynn Tech on Tuesday by a score of 3-0 at the Mark Donovan Gymnasium, before coming away with a 3-0 road victory over Mystic Valley last Friday night.

In the 3-0 win over Lynn Tech, the Rams were led to the 25-14, 25-5, 25-13 victory by senior captain Gabby DiSalvo of Tewksbury, who had 19 service points this match. On Friday, the Rams were led to the 25-7, 25-11, 25-14 by junior Cade Barron of Tewksbury, who went on a 12-point service run to start the match.

“That win was an overall team effort of great passing and serving,” Shawsheen coach Katie McGinness said. “This week we owe our wins to serving. We’ve been working a lot on consistent serves and that has definitely paid off.”

That kind of team play is what has McGinness looking forward to the rest of the season. While the 3-1

start is impressive, McGinness knows there is plenty of work still to be done, but with the efforts of her players, she is hoping for more big wins the rest of the way.

“I’m feeling confident with their level of play so far. The team is working hard to improve and they’re showing up ready to play at each game,” McGinness said. “I’m hopeful for the future and excited to see where this team goes.”

The Rams will be tested this week, as the competition steps up with matches against CAC foes Lowell Catholic on Wednesday at home, and Whittier on Friday on the road, with both matches starting at 5:30 pm.

“We’re ready to step up our game and excited to go against both teams,” McGinness said. “I’m hopeful they’ll both be great games overall.”

## BOYS SOCCER

The Shawsheen Boys Soccer team is another team that has been putting in plenty of hard work this season, on and Tuesday afternoon, the Rams were finally rewarded for all that hard work with a 4-0 shutout of CAC rival Mystic Valley in a road contest.

Senior forward Noah Rizzo of Tewksbury led the way for the Rams with a goal and two assists, while the other goals went to senior Joe Woodward, sophomore Nico Georgoulis and fellow sophomore Jayden Perez of Tewksbury.

Assisting on the goals for the Rams were senior Cam Camelio of Tewksbury, junior Brian Duhamel as well as Woodward and Georgoulis.

Junior goalie Nick Gerasimov played well in net to earn the shutout, as the Rams improved to 1-3-1 on the season.

Last Tuesday, the Rams had nearly picked up their first victory, earning a 1-1 tie on the road at Essex Tech. The Rams took a 1-0 lead into halftime thanks to a Rizzo goal off a great cross from Duhamel.

Essex tied it midway through the second half as Shawsheen withstood a withering attack successfully defending 10 total corner kicks before Essex got the equalizer.

Playing well for the Rams in the tie were Gerasimov in net, along with Camelio, Jon MacEachern, Ethan Melanson of Tewksbury and Tom Robenek.

The Rams will look to build on the big win over Mystic Valley when they host CAC rival Greater Lawrence on Thursday, before hosting non-league rival Dracut next Tuesday, with both games scheduled for a 4:00 pm start.

## Police and Fire Departments to battle on the diamond in a fundraising event

## Fourth Annual Wilmington Softball Tournament is making a new pitch

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**WILMINGTON** – This Saturday, the fourth annual Guns and Hoses Charity Softball Game and Cornhole Tournament is set to kick off at Town Park in Wilmington.

Since 2017, the charity game between the Wilmington Fire and Police Departments has been a staple to the community. (Due to the pandemic, there was no event in 2020.) The idea all started from Fire Chief Bill Cavanaugh.

“We had kind of come up with this idea to do a Police vs. Fire Softball Game. We had a lot of newer firefighters at the time (and) they were starting to get some

turnover on (the Police Department) staff, so it was kind of a way for us to just kind of come together and do something fun together,” recalled Cavanaugh.

In 2017, the event took place in part with Wilmington’s Fourth of July festivities that focused on donations to a local food bank. Paired with a DJ, public address announcer, and a national anthem, the original idea from Cavanaugh turned into a popular yearly event in town.

Fast forward to this year’s tournament, and even though it was organized on short notice, is expected to be a success with new goals.

“Something that’s a little different for us is we are

at The Fire Department trying to erect a memorial for Wilbur Sheldon and Russell Pratt who were two Wilmington firefighters who were killed in a house fire on September 11th, 1927. So we are really trying to get a fundraiser going for that,” said Cavanaugh.

Along with honoring firefighters Sheldon and Pratt through the Wilmington Fire Memorial Construction Foundation Fund, all proceeds from the cornhole tournament held before the game and 50/50 raffles will benefit Cops for Kids with Cancer.

“We have some awesome prizes from local vendors. It never ceases to amaze me how many of our local businesses come out and

support endeavors like this for us,” said Cavanaugh.

This event is truly a testament to the strength and bond of the Wilmington community, but Cavanaugh is looking to expand its reach.

“We want to get the other town employees involved,” said Cavanaugh. “Some of the teachers will be involved, the guys from the DPW, some people from Town Hall, some people from Public Building. (We) are really trying to make it more of a community event so people (can) get out and meet people they typically don’t see every day. You see firefighters, you see cops, (we) want (everyone) to start seeing these other people that

see all these other things that get done, and without them the town wouldn’t function the way it does.”

Next year’s festivities will feature a format where other town workers will take part to create a tournament. Until then, they will be actively supporting the event on Saturday. Cavanaugh wants the community to be able to make a connection with the individuals who build the foundation of the town.

“It would be great for people to know who they are. You see firefighters and police every day (and) we are pretty recognizable. (There are) other people that work for the town for (a) number of years doing the certain projects to keep us mov-

ing, and you walk right by them and have no idea that that’s the guy who makes sure that your water is clean, that’s the guy who makes sure the trash is picked up, and this guy plows your street,” admitted Cavanaugh.

Cavanaugh and the entirety of the Wilmington community is looking forward to another successful event, but is still focused on handling business on the diamond.

“The Fire Department is going into this with a 2-1 record. They beat us the second year. (Last year) we beat them 22-1,” he said with a laugh.



# Another week, another thrilling victory for the Rams

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BILLERICA - For the second week in a row, the Shawsheen Tech Football team kept their fans on the edge of their seats right until the final whistle. And for the second week in a row, the Rams made it well worth the drama for their loyal followers, as they pulled out a dramatic 27-20 win over non-league rival Triton on Friday night at Cassidy Field in their home opener.

The win, coupled with their season opening shocker over Bedford a week ago, improved the Rams to 2-0 on the season as they prepare to open league play against Essex Tech on Friday night.

Unlike last week against Bedford, when the Rams trailed 20-6 in the third quarter before mounting a thrilling comeback to come away with a 30-26 win, it was the Rams who took the early lead this time around, jumping out to a 20-0 third quarter lead before Triton rallied to tie it at 20-20 with 3:08 left in the game.

But it was the Rams who came out on top, when sophomore quarterback Sidney Tildsley connected with junior wide receiver Ryan Copson of

Wilmington on a 64-yard scoring pass with 1:57 left. The Rams defense held from there, and Shawsheen had secured a 2-0 start.

"They found a way to win, and I am so proud of them," Shawsheen coach Al Costabile said. "Just like against Bedford, we were once again giving up size. Triton is a big team, and when we saw them during the pregame we knew we were at a big disadvantage. We saw a lot of the predictions prior to the game, and a lot of people thought they would handle us, but I was so proud of our guys."

Shawsheen had jumped out to an early lead with 6:54 left in the first quarter, when Tildsley (14 carries, 118 yards) had scored from two yards out. The extra point was blocked, but the Rams had a 6-0 lead. They extended their lead later in the quarter, when junior running back Caleb Caceres scored on a 17-yard run with 2:57 left in the quarter. The Rams two point conversion attempt failed, and their lead stood at 12-0.

Tildsley had gotten the Rams on the board with his legs for their first score, but he used his arm to help the Rams extend their lead even further early in the second half



During the Shawsheen Tech Football team's season opening win over Bedford, Rams' players Zachary Rogers (87) makes a tackle on Jayvon Williams (7) with Ben Spindle (46) coming in to help. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

when he connected with senior wide receiver Mavrick Bourdeau on a 55-yard scoring strike with on the opening drive of the half to make the score 20-0 when Tildsley connected with Damian Ortiz of Tewksbury for the two point conversion with 10:22 to go in the third quarter.

"There was tight coverage, but Sid threw a great ball, and hit him in stride," Costabile said. "And Mav, as he always does, did a great job seeing the ball. And then the kid had him, but Mav broke the tackle and tipped on the sideline and ran it the rest of the way in, about 25 or 30 yards."

But Triton, who came into this game fresh off a 23-6 win over Randolph in their season opener, was not done, as the responding with 20 straight points in the fourth quarter, with quarterback Max Ciaramitaro connecting with receiver Ethan Tate on scoring passes of seven, 45 and 38 yards, the last one coming with 3:08 left in the game. The extra point was blocked, however, and instead of trailing, the Rams found themselves in a 20-20 deadlock.

Costabile was not surprised to see Triton fight back the way they did.

"Even though we were up 20-0, we never felt comfortable," Costabile said. "We knew we wouldn't shut them out. They are just too talented. But the blocked extra point was huge for us."

The Rams wasted little time in retaking the lead, needing just three plays. Facing a third and long from their own 36-yard line, Tildsley (9-for-22, 247 yards, 2 TD's), bought some time in the pocket and then targeted Copson racing down the sideline.

"Sid did a great job getting out of the pocket and he showed some really

good footwork," Costabile said. "Their guy had good coverage and got a hand on it and tipped it, but he lost track of it, and Copson did a great job focusing and catching the ball and then just turned and ran."

"It was a great play by both of them. It was a great play by Sid to get the pass off and then it was a great job by Copson to have the concentration to make the play. He had the presence of mind to focus and make a nice catch and run."

There was still the matter of holding Triton one more time, however, and the Rams defense stepped up big time to secure the victory. It was part of an overall big night for the defense, which was led by a pair of junior defensive linemen.

Austin Malandain had eight total tackles, while Richard Elliott, III had six tackles and half a sack. Junior defensive end Tom Cormier chipped in with four tackles and a sack, while Copson contributed on defense as well as on offense, with five tackles from his cornerback position.

"A big factor in the game was our play in the trenches," Costabile said. "Our defensive line has a lot of guys who play both ways, and they did a great job. They were exceptional. It seemed like (Cormier) and (Malandain) were in their backfield all night. We didn't have a lot of sacks, but we applied a lot of pressure and that made a big difference in the game."

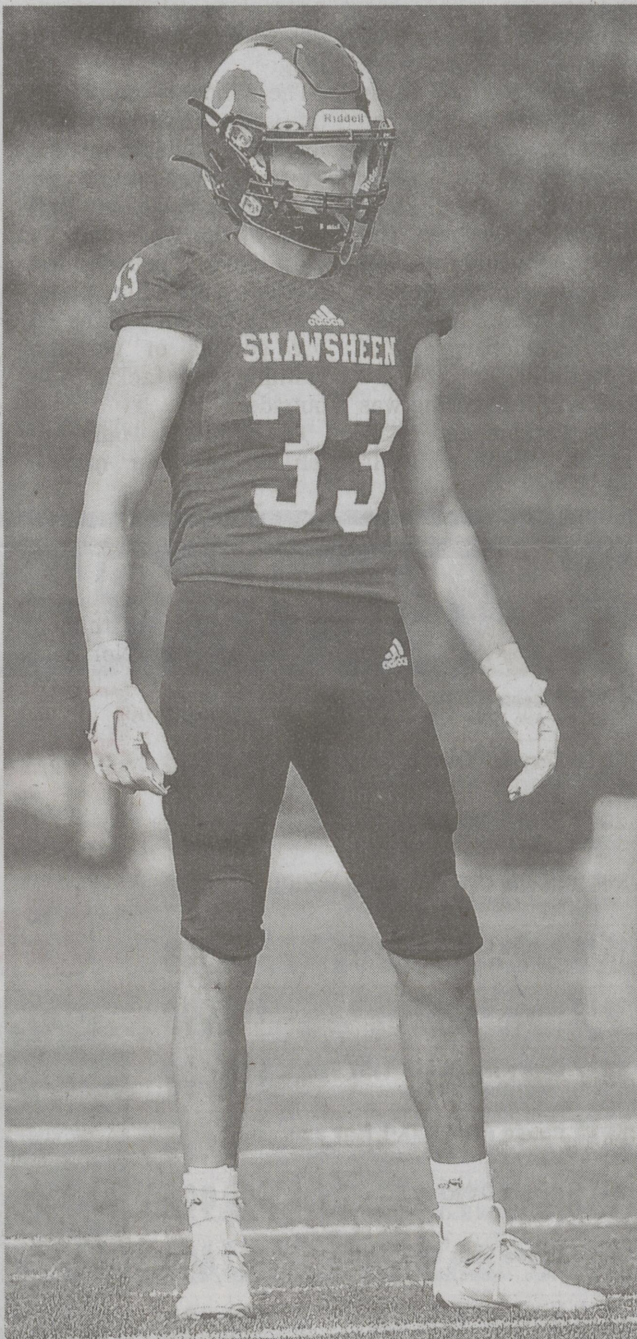
As good as Costabile and the Rams feel about their 2-0 start, they also know that the most important part of the season starts on Friday night at 7:00 pm when they hit the road to take on Essex Tech to kick off their CAC schedule. Essex Tech will also bring

a 2-0 record into the contest, having opened their season with a 28-14 win over Lynn Tech, before routing Blue Hills by score of 40-14 last week.

"Essex Tech is an excellent program, and coach (Dan) Connors does a great job with them," Costabile said. "Their quarterback (senior David LeBron) is excellent. They will be a big test for us. We have to

stay focused and be ready for a big challenge from them."

"I am very proud of the boys and how they have progressed, but there is a lot of work still left to do. But the good thing is, I know the players feel that way too. We have to stay hungry. We know we can play better and we know we can coach better."



Zach Timmons of Wilmington, prepares to make a play during the Shawsheen Tech Football team's season opening win over Bedford. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

## Robinson to net more family time

FROM C1W

Anderson, Morgan Bresnahan, 1,000 point scorer and rebounder Kylie DuCharme, Jenna Tavanese (941 career points) and Almeida all going on to play at the next level. Many people will of course credit Robinson for playing a big role in the success of those players, but the humble Robinson looks at it from a different perspective.

"Talk about lucky," Robinson said. "I was able to coach five kids who went on to play in college," Robinson said. "I am just so grateful to have had that opportunity. I am so thankful to (former athletic director) Tim Alberts and to Dennis. I am also so grateful to (former assistant coach) Aubrey Cabral-Pini, and (field hockey coach and fellow WHS teacher) Leanne Ebert, who were such a huge help to me when I first started coaching. I also want to thank the Wilmington administration for all the support they provided."

There were many people Robinson wanted to thank for their support during her time as head coach of the Wildcats, not the least of which were the parents of the players she has coached.

"Wilmington is such a tight knit community, so

being somebody not from Wilmington, and not even from the state, I feel like the town completely embraced me," Robinson said. "It is a tough time to be a coach, but I can honestly say that I have had the best parents during my time here, and that I so rare in this day and age — especially during that first year. We had seven seniors, but the parents took me in with open arms. And then we got off to an 0-2 start, but nobody panicked. They all just hung in there and stayed positive, and a lot of good things happened for us."

Those good things continued for several years after that successful first season. Robinson is going to miss being on the sidelines and all of the little things that go with it this winter. But, at the same time, she is confident that she made the right decision for her and her family.

"I will miss the day after Thanksgiving sitting down and setting plans for the first week of tryouts, and it will be weird not staying up late to prepare for our next game or practice. I will miss the little things like that," Robinson said. "It is kind of bittersweet, but nobody ever regrets spending more time with their family."

## Wilmington Football Players: Get Better Soon, Mikey!

FROM C1W

member and was slated to be one of the Tanners' top defensive players this season.

"He's a kid who spent three years paying his dues, earning his job and earning the respect of his teammates and the whole school," said Bettencourt to the Salem News. "He's an incredible leader. To see his season taken away like this is heart wrenching ... we're all going to do everything we can to get him healthy."

Mikey is one of four children to Michael and Stephanie, including sisters McKayla and MyKenna, as well as younger brother Matt, who is a sophomore and also a member of the football team.

"The support has been amazing. Peabody is an incredible place and Mikey has so many good

friends that have been so supportive," said Stephanie Mastrocola, to the Salem News. "We're hearing from our friends in Everett, people from so many different schools and all over the city. Football is a special sport and builds an amazing community."

As soon as the news broke out about Mikey's Leukemia, his teammates from both Peabody High and from his youth football days, mainly Carson Browne, a running back on the St. John's Prep team and his family, started a 'GoFundMe' page. The goal was set for 25K and after three days it surpassed that amount with nearly 400 people donating to the cause. As of Tuesday afternoon, the donations were just under 40K.

"It breaks your heart

and you wish it wasn't happening," Bettencourt said to the Salem News, "yet to see our kids rally around both Mikey and Matt? As a coach, that means all the things we've been teaching about life are getting through."

According to the Salem News' story, Mastrocola wasn't feeling right in the beginning of August and had "a persistent sore throat. Tests for various ailments like strep, COVID-19 and mono came up empty. Some blood work revealed the need for more testing. Quickly, doctors found the Leukemia and treatment began almost immediately."

"It was a very quick thing ... within a week it was like, 'Bring him in here and let's get this started right now,'" Stephanie said to the

Salem News. "We're here in Boston and he's doing OK. He's up and moving around and everyone at school has been great as far as school work and making sure he'll graduate and all that. He's in the best of hands and he's getting the absolute best care possible."

Part of that care was an incredibly thoughtful Gift Basket he received from the WHS Football Program. On Sunday night, Matt Williams tweeted out a picture of Mikey holding the basket, while sporting a big smile on his face.

"Mikey and his family have been overwhelmed by the support and prayers that have come from our community here in Peabody," said Bettencourt to the Crier on Tuesday afternoon. "However, the amazing

part has been the support that has come from outside of our community, including donations from Revere High School Football and Masconomet High School Football. Winthrop High School Football donated their 50-50 raffle proceeds to Mikey."

"And most recently a donation basket from the Wilmington High School Football program. When I delivered the basket to Mikey, the first thing he said was, 'we don't even play Wilmington, do we Coach?' I responded with no, and that shows you how many people want you to win this battle. I could see it in his smile as he looked through the basket and read all of the names of the Wilmington Football players that were written on a football. He didn't know any of these

players, but they all knew what he is going through. And they wanted him to know that they were thinking about him and praying that he would have a full recovery and never give up."

"High School Football in Massachusetts is more than just a sport. It is a brotherhood that has no boundaries. And Mikey is thankful to have the support of ALL his teammates, not just the players from Peabody High School," concluded Bettencourt.

If you would like to donate to the Mastrocola Family, please visit <https://www.gofundme.com/mikeys-battle-to-beat-cancer>



# Under 11 Football team avenges loss with a 20-6 dominating win

Two weeks ago, the New England Championship rematch between the top two ranked U-11 football teams in New England, the West Haven Seahawks (CT) and the Wilmington Wildcats did not go well for the Wildcats on Glen Road Field, as the Wildcats suffered a 31-0 loss to the No. 1 regional powerhouse team that has been a thorn in the side of the Wildcats since last year's season finale in West Haven.

The Wildcats played hard for four quarters but were outmatched with the size, speed, strength, and depth of the Seahawks. But the Wildcats still showed mental and physical toughness throughout the course of the game and got beat on a couple of explosive plays that opened the game up in favor of West Haven. The Wildcats never gave up and absorbed the loss knowing that they would have to (at practice) accept and correct mistakes made in the game and go on the road the following week to take on a very good Waterbury team after a 2 1/2 hour bus trip!

The following week of practice was a very good one and the Wildcats knew that they had to win versus Waterbury to put the 31-0 loss to West Haven (who they will most likely see again in the playoffs) behind them and move forward with the season.

This past Sunday the Wildcats did just what was expected of them although it was by no means an easy win. The Waterbury Patriots had a lot of size and strength, however the Wildcats would prevail with speed, athleticism, and execution ... especially on the defensive side of the football!

The Wildcat scoring was led by captain and quarterback Stephen Zella

who scored three touchdowns to lead the Wildcats to a 20-6 victory in a game that was a dogfight up until the last four minutes of play in the fourth quarter.

The Wildcats won the opening coin toss and deferred to the second half, giving the ball to a massive Waterbury offense to start the game. Waterbury would get a first down on the first series but the Wildcat secondary of Zella, Landon French, Hunter Bentley, Tommy Conn, and Nate Ricciarelli would come up big with some big tackles to come up with a stop on Waterbury's second series of plays.

The Wildcats would get the ball back on offense and gradually move the ball up the field with the running tandem of Conn and Zella behind the offensive line of Nolan Antczak, Jordan Wedge, Braeden Foley, Alex Scaltreto, Brady Cassidy, and Peter Douzepis (who had their hands full versus the heavy blitz from Waterbury) to come up with a couple of first downs before coming up just short of the sticks on fourth down to turn the ball back over to the Patriots.

The Patriots would get the ball back again to start the second quarter and would fumble the first snap from scrimmage from penetration up front from Michael Duffy, Wedge, Foley, and Antczak to set Waterbury up with a second and long.

The Wildcats continued to gang tackle and and force the Patriots to turn the ball over on downs. The Wildcats got the ball back at the Waterbury 45 yard line and pounded the football with Zella, Conn, and Ricciarelli picking up big chunks of yardage running off tackle and outside.

The Wildcats would finish off the four minute

drive with a two-yard TD run by Zella on a designed QB keeper off tackle to the left side behind the blocking of Scaltreto, Cassidy, and French to make it 6-0 Wildcats with under a minute left in the second quarter. Zella kicked the PAT off the Duffy snap and Ricciarelli hold for two points to make it 8-0 Wildcats at the half.

The Wildcats would start with the ball to begin the third quarter and continue to battle up front with the huge blitz-heavy Waterbury Defensive Line.

The Patriot defense came up big with a strip and get the ball back, but the Wildcat defense would not make it easy for Waterbury as they would force a fourth-and-long. The Wildcats would then get beat on a reverse play for 46 yards down the left sideline to make it 8-6.

The Wilmington defense then came up huge from the 3-yard line with a tackle on the extra point try to keep it an 8-6 Wildcat lead going into the fourth quarter.

The Wildcats got the ball back, but turned it over with a fumble on the third play from scrimmage, giving Waterbury the ball at the Wilmington 40-yard line. Momentum was now in favor of Waterbury in Wilmington territory with seven minutes left in the fourth quarter.

The Wildcat defense came out blitzing heavy on the outside with Zella and Conn and Zella came up with three game-changing sacks to set the Patriots back to fourth and 29 from their own 32 yard line.

The Wildcat defense would come up with the stop and turnover on downs with a gang tackle by French, Scaltreto, Cassidy, and Bentley. The Wildcat offense then took over with four minutes left in the game at the Waterbury 43-yard line,



Brady Cassidy gears up for a drill for the Wilmington U11 Youth Football Team during a pre-season practice held at the Glen Road Field. Cassidy and his teammates had a big win this past weekend. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

Wilmington would run the ball hard with Conn a few times for positive yardage behind the blocking of Braeden Murphy, Sean Murphy, Tommy Wilson, Emilia Roya, and Austin O'Connell.

On the next play Zella broke free for a 45-yard TD run down the left sideline to make it a 14-6 Wildcat lead. Waterbury would get the ball back with three minutes left in the game, and once again it was the Wildcat defense that would once again prevail against the exhausted Waterbury Patriots.

After a defensive stop, the Wildcats would get the ball back and keep feeding Conn, who ran for close to 100 yards in the game. Bentley, Wedge, Foley, and Duffy would open up huge holes for Conn who pounded the ball close to 60 yards on the drive.

The Wildcats then caught the Patriots by surprise on a QB Sneak on the silent count, catching the Waterbury defense sleeping as Zella scored his third touchdown of the game on nine-yard TD run into the end zone with ease to end the Waterbury Patriots for the game with a 20-6 lead with 1:30 left to play in the game and no time-outs left for the Patriots.

The Wildcat defense would hold strong and finish the game to give the Wildcats a 20-6 hard fought bounce-back victory to improve their record to 2-1 on the season.

The No. 2 ranked Wildcats will be back in action this Sunday, September 25 at 12:00 PM versus Danbury, CT. The game will be played at Glen Road Field.

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The world of the "The Woman King" is no paradise though. It's 1823 and there is rape and rampant hatred of women. There are slavers and colonizers around. The young trainee, Nawi, only arrives at the palace doorsteps after her father gives up on trying to marry her off to anyone who will take her, abusive or not. The women don't all get along, the king's brides look down at the soldiers. And Nanisca, too, looks at women's tears as a sign of weakness.

It's also a very Hollywood version of what may have happened as they prepare to go up against the powerful Oyo empire, with some convenient reveals, a love interest, a slightly idealized king figure (in John Boyega) and an old score someone needs to settle. This is not, in other words, a history lesson about the Agojie, though it could perhaps inspire some to seek that out or even write their own. That there are few true sur-

prises isn't necessarily a bad thing, either. The film is exactly what you need it to be: An exciting and emotionally true spectacle that required a heck of a fight to simply exist.

I'll stop short of saying that Prince-Bythewood should have been directing these all along too, however. If she'd started and stayed with action, we wouldn't have gotten "Love & Basketball" or "Beyond the Lights," and what kind of cinematic landscape would that be? But we should all be so lucky that she gets to do this too.

"The Woman King," a Sony/TriStar Release in theaters now, is rated PG-13 by the Motion Picture Association for "sequences of strong violence, some disturbing material, thematic content, brief language and partial nudity." Running time: 134 minutes. Three stars out of four.

MPA Definition of PG-13: Parents strongly cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.

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RECIPE

SPINACH AND  
RAVIOLI LASAGNA



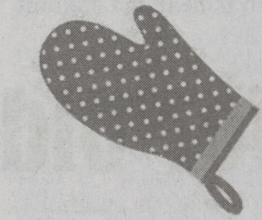
**FAST AND FURIOUSLY DELICIOUS** - Frozen cheese-filled ravioli brings this lasagna to the dinner table in 45 minutes - a spin on the Italian classic featuring spinach, pesto and jarred Alfredo sauce.

STEPS

1. Heat oven to 375°F. Spray 11x7-inch (2-quart) glass baking dish with cooking spray.
2. In medium bowl, toss spinach and pesto. In another bowl, mix Alfredo sauce and broth. Spoon one-third of sauce mixture (about 1/2 cup) into baking dish. Top with half of spinach mixture. Arrange half of ravioli in single layer over spinach mixture. Repeat layers. Top with remaining sauce mixture.
3. Bake uncovered 30 minutes. Sprinkle with cheese. Bake 5 minutes longer or until bubbly. Garnish with basil and paprika.

EXPERT TIPS

- An easy way to add veggies to your dinner is to add leafy greens to your



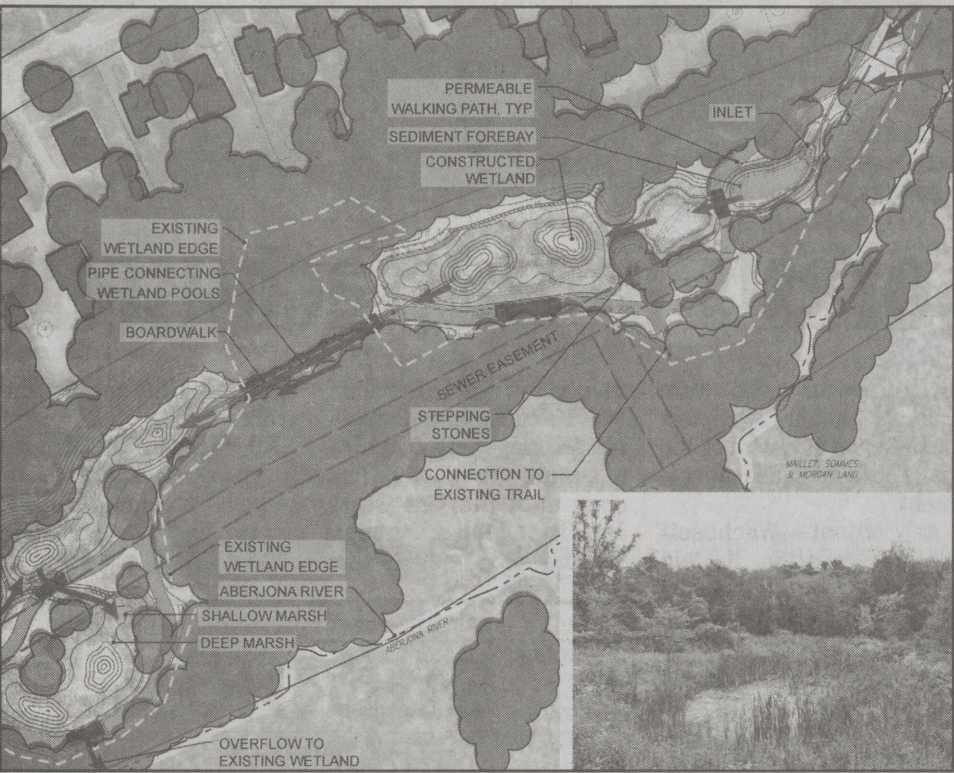
favorite pasta.

Spinach wilts quickly and shrinks quite a bit, so you won't feel like you're eating as much healthy greens as you are. Using ravioli to make a lasagna is one of the most efficient ways to get the job done, because the cheese is already contained in every delicious bite!

This spinach ravioli bake combines cheesy Alfredo sauce, cheese-filled ravioli and shredded Italian cheese blend for a triple-cheese dinner — complete with a green vegetable — the whole family will enjoy.

Ingredients

- 1 bag (6 oz) fresh baby spinach leaves, chopped
- 1/3 cup refrigerated basil pesto
- 1 jar (15 oz) Alfredo pasta sauce
- 1/4 cup vegetable or chicken broth
- 1 package (25 oz) frozen cheese-filled ravioli (do not thaw)
- 1 cup shredded Italian cheese blend (4 oz)
- Chopped fresh basil leaves, if desired
- Paprika, if desired



**READING'S WETLANDS** - A series of improvements has been proposed at the Maillet Sommes and Morgan Conservation Area. The community was recently awarded funds to use towards expanding wetlands in the park but the bill still needs to make it through US Senate deliberations.

(Courtesy graphic)

Wetlands FROM A-6

testament to Reading's perseverance and commitment to taking a proactive approach to increase stormwater capacity and mitigate the impacts of climate change."

Also drawing attention to the proposal this summer was Moulton, who in August visited the 18-acre wetlands area to announce that another \$1.5 million in federal funds had been earmarked for the project.

Moulton, along with other federal legislators, included the Reading funding within a larger \$12.2 million earmark for various infrastructure projects across the state. The line-item has thus far gotten preliminary approval as part of a FY'23 appropriations bill, but still needs to make it through US Senate deliberations.

"This is a critical initiative that will make the community more sustainable and resilient," Moulton said during his visit to Reading in early August. "I'm thrilled that this project and many others I submitted have cleared the first hurdle in securing funding through the appropriations process."

According to town officials, the genesis of the project dates back to a 2018 partnership between the Mystic River Watershed Association, the Mass. Water Resource Authority (MWRA), and some 17 communities which abut the main seven-mile-long river and the various ponds, lakes, and tributaries that make part of the larger watershed.

After obtaining an initial MVP grant in

2020, members of the collaborative conducted a series of studies to identify the best ways to control regional flooding events, which are expected to become much worse as climate change fuels more severe weather events.

Ultimately, say project proponents, of the 465 locations studied for potential improvements, Reading's Maillet, Sommes and Morgan Conservation Land ranked as one of the top three spots for "nature-based" flood control. Work at neighboring Woburn's Hurd Elementary School, as well as improvements to the Aberjona River basin in Lexington, are also being fast-tracked by the environmental group.

"The site was specifically selected through a rigorous selection process based on its feasibility for a constructed stormwater wetland, access, and opportunities to provide ecological benefits both locally and regionally. This site also provides opportunities to improve water quality within the immediate receiving water body, the Aberjona River, which is listed as impaired in the most recent Massachusetts Integrated List of Waters," project manager Jennifer Relstab, an engineer from consulting firm Horsley Witten Group, advised Reading's Conservation Commission in a 2021 permitting request.

Reading town officials, who plan to ask Town Meeting representatives in November to appropriate up to \$3 million in up-front funding for the project, also say the work will improve overall water quality within the

Aberjona River. Though town officials do expect the project's original \$2.1 million price tag to climb substantially due to inflationary pressures, most of the project's costs should be covered by the predicted combination of state and federal funding sources.

"The project proposes several mitigation measures and public benefits as part of the overall design. These include the constructed stormwater wetland system itself, which will result in water quality benefits within the Aberjona River and will contribute to improved water quality within the Upper Mystic River watershed," Relstab explained when seeking initial permits from town officials last year.

According to town officials, the Maillet, Sommes and Morgan land is considered a perfect spot for improving flood storage capacity because the wetlands sit right by the headwaters of the Aberjona River. Besides preventing flooding along Lowell Street, the wetlands enhancements should also reduce downstream erosion and flooding events that plague abutting communities.

"The wetland system would be designed to maintain a consistent water level by utilizing overflows and set elevations with an eventual discharge back into the Aberjona River. The Town of Reading will reduce local in-land flooding, which is being exacerbated through climate change, in the ad-

jacent residential neighborhoods," reads a town summary of the project that was recently prepared in advance of Reading's upcoming November Town Meeting.

"Regionally, the lower Mystic River communities will see reduced flooding impact and erosion; and, stormwater quality and runoff will be improved by filtering sediments and pollutants through the treatment train and series of wetlands and marshes. The project mitigates local and regional climate impacts through nature-based solutions and will turn a pre-existing non-accessible area into a vibrant, multi-use area with ADA accessible trails," town officials added in that explainer.

Earlier this summer, the Mystic Valley Watershed Association asked for roughly \$77,000 in town funding to finish the project design, which has already made it through the state's 75 percent complete phase.

Besides adding new flood storage areas, the plans also call for enhancing the 18-acre parcel by expanding existing walking trails and boardwalks over wetlands, cleaning out culverts that connect to the conservation land, stabilizing river banks along on-site portions of the Aberjona River, and adding new drainage capabilities by connecting various pools of water on the site together.

Hoping to begin work on the project sometime in the spring of 2023, construction is expected to last through 2024.

• Real Estate Transfers •

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266 Cambridge St was sold to Vintage T and Murray, Robert W by 270 Cambridge St RT and Bane, Terrence J for \$850,000 on 08/31/22

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Drake Rd was sold to C&L Homes LLC by Murray, Robert W for \$150,000 on 09/02/22

2 Dublin Cir was sold to Tammaro, Derek J and Tammaro, Jaime E by Gordon, Douglas J and Gordon, Patricia D for \$902,000 on 08/31/22

4 Great Pines Ave was sold to Patel, Manali and Patel, Jaykumar by Bose, Animesh and Bose, Prarthana for \$1,148,000 on 08/31/22

2 Lucy Rd was sold to Ndoci, Mirash and Ndoci, Xhijola by Widtfeldt, Wayne B and Widtfeldt, Patricia M for \$690,000 on 08/31/22

73 Mill St was sold to Sengupta, Arjun by Tammaro, Derek J for \$711,000 on 08/31/22

63 Muller Rd was sold to Dautrich, Kenneth and Dautrich, Christina M by Dennis M Mazzone T and Mazzone, Dennis M for \$800,000 on 09/01/22

15 Peach Orchard Rd was sold to Bansal, Subash and Bansal, Anuradha by Centoni, Robert and Centoni, Patricia for \$635,000 on 09/01/22

3 Reed St was sold to Brown, Benjamin and Brown, Cindy by Bara, Linda R for \$627,500 on 09/01/22

13 Sandy Brook Rd was sold to Zeng,

Chang Y by Pierre-Louis, Cita for \$600,000 on 09/02/22

3 Sawyer St was sold to Russell, Julie A by Broza, Donald J for \$651,700 on 08/29/22

21 Terry Ave was sold to 10 Tech Drive LLC by Codman Burlington RT and Walsh, Thomas A for \$8,600,000 on 08/30/22

LYNNFIELD

7 Bishops Ln was sold to Russo 3rd, Frank and Collins, Patricia by Murphy, Sean P for \$1,330,000 on 08/31/22

38 Cedarwood Rd was sold to Shaik, Karim and Shaik, Yelena V by Lampes, Charles and Lampes, Cindy M for \$770,000 on 08/31/22

36 Greenwood Rd was sold to Defilippo Jr, Gerald and Defilippo, Stephanie D by Black Aleta A Est and Proia, Jane A for \$530,000 on 08/30/22

6 Oak St was sold to Zeyada, Walid and Kamel, Shaimaa M by Norgoal, Karl D for \$775,000 on 08/30/22

NORTH READING

4 Agatha Way was sold to Koblansky, Alexander B and Brooke-Avery, Lindsay by Hemley, Lawrence and Hemley, Cheryl for \$1,409,000 on 08/31/22

11 Belmont Ln was sold to Krenitsky, Julissa J and Krenitsky, Blair S by 11 Belmont Ln N Reading and Sutherland, Brenda L for \$1,185,000 on 08/31/22

14 Charles St was sold to Pan, Jingyong and Liu, Xiaolu by Sandra Hafiz Inc for

\$1,830,000 on 09/01/22

12 Little Meadow Way was sold to Skalkos, Anastasios G and Morocco, Eve by Lundy, Matthew and Lundy, Stephanie for \$2,100,000 on 08/29/22

12 Tarbox Ln was sold to Sheldrake, Taryn K by Tarbox RT and Jenks, David D for \$1,340,000 on 08/30/22

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407 Gazebo Cir #407 was sold to Keilty, Curtis J by Connolly, Linda and Connolly, Stephen P for \$509,000 on 09/02/22

27 Grove St was sold to Mccarthy, Patrick and Mccarthy, Rachel by Murphy, Richard A and Murphy, Nicole G for \$765,000 on 08/31/22

322 Haven St was sold to Wong, Peter W and Wong, Joanne M by Egler, Mark S and Mattoon, Jean M for \$629,900 on 08/31/22

295 Main St #3 was sold to Hernandez, Cesar D by Rosa Serrao IRT and Serrao, Marisol and for \$220,000 on 08/31/22

1008 Main St was sold to Koslowski, Abigali M and Koslowski, Paul T by Edson, James E and Edson, Marcia E for \$675,000 on 08/29/22

24 South St was sold to Nore, Joseph T and Nore, Leyla by Wickramasinghe, Samanale and Wickramasinghe, Edward for \$920,000 on 08/31/22

385 Summer Ave was sold to Arnold, Keith and Arnold, Deidre by Wilson, Matthew and

Hodin, Lorraine for \$1,050,000 on 08/30/22

30 Taylor Dr #2001 was sold to Zappulla, Joseph and Zappulla, Pasqualina by Xu, Tao and Zheng, Xiaoyu for \$650,000 on 08/31/22

5 Veterans Way was sold to Ellis, Sean and Hicks, Toka by MA Equity Invest LLC for \$1,420,000 on 09/02/22

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601-603 Main St was sold to 601-603 Main Street LLC by Arena, Jennifer M for \$800,000 on 08/30/22

51 Spring St was sold to Nascimento, Joel B by Parker, John W for \$670,000 on 08/31/22

5 Veterans Ln was sold to Desnoyer, Jillian and Caskanette, Andrew by Austin, Benjamin R and Austin, Kendal K for \$625,000 on 08/29/22

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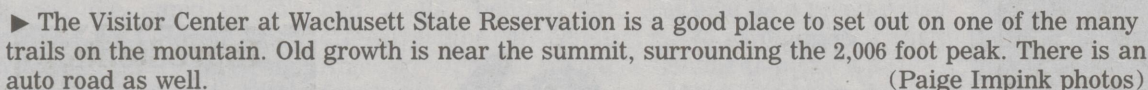
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7 Bruce St was sold to Plunkett, Shana K and Arosemena, Maricela D by Wyatt, Joshua T and Toklu, Ece for \$715,000 on 08/30/22

30 Decarolis Dr #30 was sold to Campbell, Robert R and Campbell, Elizabeth C by Shaw, Gina M for \$427,500 on 08/31/22

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# Hayduk, Koss named National Merit Semifinalists

WILMINGTON — On Sept. 14, 2022 the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC®) announced the names of over 16,000 Semifinalists in the 68th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. Wilmington High School is proud to recognize two students who have been named 2023 National Merit Semifinalists: Elisabeth Hayduk and Nikos Koss.

Elisabeth Hayduk is a dedicated and accomplished National Honor Society student whose academic focuses have been in the areas of mathematics, science, and French. She has also sought out opportuni-

ties to further explore two of her passions: the visual and performing arts, both inside and outside of the school day.

Engaging in and leading activities of the Art and Photo Club, playing violin with the NMYO Youth Orchestra, taking private music lessons, tutoring aspiring young musicians, painting commissioned dog portraits; all are a sampling of her engagement in creative endeavors.

Elisabeth also finds time to participate and volunteer within a range of activities at WHS, the local library, and other organizations. At this time, Elisa-

beth is considering focusing her future studies in the STEM field.

Nikos Koss is an accomplished student across the curriculum. His intellectual curiosity has led him to dig deeper into areas of interest, including mathematics, science and Spanish. He has earned numerous accolades, including induction in the National Honor Society and recipient of a National Spanish Exam Junior Travel Scholarship.

Just as his academic pursuits are vast and varied, so are his extracurricular endeavors. Nikos is engaged in numerous clubs,

including but not limited to, Garden Club, World Cultures Club and DECA.

He has served in numerous leadership roles including Project Manager for the WHS Robotics Team. Nikos is passionate about all he takes part in, including his volunteer work with the Massachusetts Audubon Society and his part-time job at Whole Foods.

He is currently considering a variety of fields of study in the future including economics, civil engineering, and urban planning.

Semifinalists in the 2023 National Merit Scholar-

ship Program Steps in the 2023 Competition High school juniors entered the 2023 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2021 Preliminary SAT/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/ NMSQT®), which served as an initial screen of program entrants.

These academically talented high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,250 National Merit Scholarships worth nearly \$28 million that will be offered next spring.

To be considered for a Merit Scholarship® award, Semifinalists must fulfill

several requirements to advance to the Finalist level of the competition. About 95 percent of the Semifinalists are expected to attain Finalist standing, and approximately half of the Finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship, earning the Merit Scholar® title.

National Merit Scholarship winners of 2023 will be announced in four nationwide news releases beginning in April and concluding in July. These scholarship recipients will join nearly 368,000 other distinguished young people who have earned the Merit Scholar title.

## Koss awarded Junior Travel Scholarship

WILMINGTON — Wilmington High School sends congratulations to Nikos Koss of Wilmington High School's Class of 2023 on being awarded a Junior Travel Scholarship through the National Spanish Examinations.

With this award, Nikos traveled to Puerto Rico for a nine-day cultural pro-

gram in July of 2022 with 23 other high school students from all over the United States.

Nikos' outstanding scores on the NSE during his sophomore year made him eligible to apply for the scholarship, which had a lengthy application process including an essay written in Spanish and an

interview with his Spanish teacher, Meghan Burns, conducted completely in the target language.

Nikos earned a gold medal on last year's exam as well as two silver medals during his freshman and sophomore years.

During his time in Puerto Rico, Nikos toured a Spanish fortress, visited a

rainforest, ziplined, kayaked in the bioluminescent bay, learned how to salsa dance and sampled local cuisine such as arroz con pollo, tostones, flan, and Puerto Rican coffee.

Nikos is currently continuing his study of Spanish during his senior year at the Advanced Placement level.

## Fatal crash under investigation in Wilmington

WILMINGTON — At approximately 11:30 p.m., on Sept. 13, a Wilmington police officer located a Chevy Traverse, off the road in the area of 411 Salem St. Investigating officers found that the vehicle was occupied by a single individual who was pronounced dead on the scene.

The operator was identified as 19-year old Mat-

tie Fitzgerald of Malden.

The cause of the crash remains under investigation. That investigation is being conducted by the Wilmington Police Department, the Massachusetts State Police Collision Analysis & Reconstruction Section (CARS), and Middlesex District Attorney's Office.

## Cornhole tournament at Farmers Market

WILMINGTON — Please stop by the Wilmington Farmers Market on Sunday, Sept. 25 for a fun morning of cornhole featuring 24 teams, double elimination brackets, and cash prizes for top three teams.

The tournament is open for pre-registration (as space allows), and day of team and individual play-

er registration. There is enough space for up to 24 teams. This is a blind draw, double-elimination (you have to lose twice to be eliminated) tournament, following the rules of the American Cornhole Association.

Funds generated from the tournament will benefit the operation of the Wilmington Farmers Mar-

ket 2023 season and beyond.

Teams and individual players will need to arrive between 9:30 and 10 a.m. for a 10:15 a.m. tournament start. The Tournament will be completed by 1 p.m. at the close of the Market.

**Tournament Registration**  
Team and individual registration is now open. In-

dividuals will be paired with one another on or before event day.

Teams are \$40 each, individuals are \$20 each. Payment can be made online in advance with a credit card, or the morning of the tournament by cash or check. <http://www.wilmingtonfarmersmarket.com/2022-cornhole-tournament.html>

## Car show on Sunday, Oct. 16

WILMINGTON — Join the Wilmington Sons/Daughters of Italy and the Dominators Hot Rod Club for their 5th annual Car Show on Sunday, Oct. 16, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Fourth of July headquarters located at 142 Middlesex Ave. in Wilmington.

Antique and classic cars and trucks, hot rods and muscle cars, and custom builds will be

featured.

There is a \$10 fee for participating vehicles, and all show cars will receive a dash plaque. Trophies will be awarded for various categories. For further information, contact Jim Gustin at 781.929.0335.

Spectators admitted FREE. Breakfast foods, BBQ, and soft drinks will be available for purchase.

## Town manager receives positive feedback

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In the town manager's evaluation, each board member's comments were combined into a single report, which the board just received that night. They rated this past year for Hull in categories including but not limited to

quality of work, quantity of work, planning and organization, dependability, delegation, work attitude, use of sick time and time off, and leadership.

Overall, he was scored as "meets expectations" and he received constructive criticism mostly indi-

cating that he could probably delegate and communicate more. One board member rated him down for rarely taking time off.

They also identified priorities for the town manager moving forward such as the fire substation, recruitment of businesses, conservative budget ap-

proach, communicating with residents, reviewing priorities, and how to handle appointments to various commissions.

Hull responded, reasoning that he might disagree with the board sometimes and his use of vacation time was compliant with his contract. Cairra sug-

gested that the manager meet less frequently than monthly with the department heads as a way to save time.

The Salute to Service that night went to US Coast Guard veteran Brian Wetzler, a Wilmington

resident who graduated in 1985 and became an air sea helicopter pilot after attending the naval academy.

The next Select Board meeting is scheduled for Sept. 26 at 7 p.m.

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and considering elements like stormwater management and other by-law requirements.

Then, there'd be concerns from the fire department and the Conservation Commission to consider before the Community Development Technical Review team looked over the plans.

DiGiovanni stressed that Gallant seemed to be interested in working with the town to have the new rink up by the 2023-2024 hockey season, even hearing about the town's process for approval.

However, the committee members shared desire to see their separate plans move forward. Cairra reminded residents that they'd narrowed their site selections down to the Whitfield Site, Salem Street site, Town Hall site, and the Recycling Site near the Woburn line.

"It doesn't stop our goal of researching a location or putting out a request for information," he said.

Cairra suggested that they continue with both ideas open and see how it turns out.

## No movement on rink situation quite yet

DiGiovanni next said that the town require a promise of ice time preference should they go with Gallant's plan. He saw that Gallant was professional, authentic, and eager to work with them, and that this might be an olive branch to the town.

"We all want to see the program do well and grow and be successful," he said.

Their top priority with any ice rink would be to hold as much ice time as possible in order to satisfy the program needs for Wilmington Youth Hockey and both girls and boys hockey programs at the high school.

Robert Peterson Jr., another committee member, pointed out that Gallant surely knows the site better than the town does, but also that it seems like a tight fit for two rinks and enough parking.

"[Gallant] probably knows what he's up against," he continued.

He suggested that there may be special permits required in order to make this site work. As for the other sites in mind, he didn't see two rinks fitting at

any of those either.

Committee member Steven Doherty recognized the folks in the audience who've been patient with the WYH program, which for the past three years has had to rent ice at five different rinks, including very limited time at Ristuccia.

In their current time, they mostly receive whatever ice is left, putting 6-year-olds on the ice until 9 p.m. and 12-year-olds until 10 p.m. He described the program as desperate and struggling to keep hockey players whose parents are dissatisfied with ice time.

The committee then opened up space for public comment.

Mike Newhouse shared his son's experience in WYH, where up until age 16 he has never played a game at Ristuccia. He recalled the situation that happened with the previous rink owner who promised in writing to transfer Wilmington the title of the rink and then sold it to Gallant instead. He urged the committee to move forward with developing a separate

rink and perhaps use Ristuccia as a temporary solution.

Another resident spoke to the sense of community that's built with the Learn to Play program and then ripped apart when parents are upset with how late 6-year-olds are on the ice.

"We've had a pretty bad track record for this rink... I just don't see that being a benefit to the community," he said. "The only incentive with [Ristuccia's proposal] is that it can be done in one year."

Other residents seemed to favor a situation where Wilmington would have some control in the business as a guarantee of ice time.

One commenter brought up the fact that the committee hadn't made much progress in building a rink, as they were still in the same place that they were about three years ago.

The committee in return asked Hull when he thought his office could have the request for information ready. Hull offered a timeline of after the Special Town Meeting in November. Instead, the committee

thought to use the RFI from Wellesley's rink as an example and start writing up parts of the RFI themselves.

Committee member Dan Ardito spoke out in favor of moving forward with Gallant.

"He's not just here to make money," he said. "He talked about a memo of understanding to give the town the ice they need."

He questioned how the

town could move forward with its own plan without stringing Gallant along. A resident asked in response how having too many sheets of ice could possibly hurt the town.

Cairra replied that the committee should report that the town is keeping its options open. They proposed indicating a willingness to work with Gallant for the short term and recognizing that he'd still have the opportunity for other business down the road if he goes forward.

### NOTICE OF INTENT TO TERMINATE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN DESIGNATION

79 McDonald Road  
Wilmington, Massachusetts  
RTN 3-18858

A release of oil and/or hazardous materials has occurred at this location, which is a disposal site as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, § 2 and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan, 310 CMR 40.0000. In response to a petition from residents in Wilmington, 79 McDonald Road, LLC designated this site as a Public Involvement Plan (PIP) site in January 2001 in accordance with MGL c.21E §14(a). The Final Public Involvement Plan was prepared in April 2001 and public meetings were held for Massachusetts Contingency Plan milestones. In March 2008 a Temporary Solution was achieved, and post-Temporary Solution groundwater monitoring and reporting have been ongoing since that time. Five-Year Periodic Review reports were submitted in March 2013 and March 2018 in accordance with 310 CMR 40.1050(4)b that detail the results of site monitoring and use over the period. Historic site reports and future regulatory submittals for the site are available for review online by following the link provided below.

This letter provides notice of the intent to terminate the PIP designation based on the decreased activities at the site since the Temporary Solution was achieved.

Any questions or comments regarding the proposed PIP termination for the 79 McDonald Road Property should be directed to Charles Young LSP, Stantec Consulting Services Inc., 300 Crown Colony Drive, Suite 110, Quincy, MA 02169, or by calling at 508-591-4326. The deadline for the public comment period is October 11, 2022, which provides 20 days from the date of this publication of the proposal to terminate the PIP designation.

The disposal site file can be viewed at MassDEP website using Release Tracking Number (RTN) 3-18858 at <https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/portal/#/search/waste-site/results?RTN=3-0018858> or at MassDEP, 205B Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, 978-694-3200.

## Fulkerson named to Dean's List at Seton Hall

SOUTH ORANGE, NJ — Seton Hall University is pleased to announce Jake Fulkerson of Wilmington has qualified for the spring 2022 Dean's List.

After the close of every semester, undergraduate students completing all courses with a GPA of 3.4, with no grades lower than "C," qualify for the Dean's List.

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great minds can do since 1856. Home to over 10,000 undergraduate and graduate students and offering more than 90 rigorous majors, Seton Hall's academic excellence has been singled out for distinction by The Princeton Review, U.S. News & World Report and Bloomberg Businessweek.

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Seton Hall, which embraces students of all religions, prepares its graduates to be exemplary servant leaders and caring global citizens. Its attrac-

tive main campus is located in suburban South Orange, New Jersey, and is only 14 miles by train, bus or car to New York City, offering a wealth of employment, internship, cultural and entertainment opportunities.

The university's nationally recognized School of Law is prominently located in downtown Newark.

For more information, visit [www.shu.edu](http://www.shu.edu).



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### Transfers FROM A-7

57 Decarolis Dr #57 was sold to Gimilaro, Barbara and Milito, Deborah by Hubbard, Justin for \$400,000 on 09/01/22

15 Dewey St was sold to Sala, Tony and Sala, Sarah by Sala, Sharon L for \$170,000 on 08/30/22

25 Dirlam Cir was sold to Pellegrino, Tia and Scott, Robert by Vasconcellos, Anthony J Vasconcellos, Nicole M for \$450,000 on 08/30/22

138 Elm St was sold to Johnson, Brandon by Feingold, Olga and Vergara, Jonathan for \$585,000 on 08/29/22

12 Hinkley Rd was sold to Campo, Nicholas G and Loris, Denise by Eknaian, Leo for \$454,000 on 09/02/22

61 Idlewild Rd was sold to Russell, Kyle A and Russell, Kayla M by W J&M M Lamonica RET and Lamonica, William J for \$750,000 on 08/29/22

3 Jay St was sold to Pham, Ngoc V and Chau, Ivan by Georgette, Brian and Georgette, Michelle for \$575,000 on 08/31/22

28 Kensington Way #28 was sold to Mulukutla, Bhanu C by Metcalf, Barbara A for \$670,000 on 08/29/22

30 Langley Ln was sold to Healy, John and Freedman, Lauren by Manocchio, Christopher CManocchio, Sonya S for \$800,000 on 08/30/22

61 Marston St was sold to Figueroa, Johnny A and Aguirre, Jorge M by Dingivan, Michael R and Dingivan, Kimberly R for \$600,000 on 08/29/22

54 Merrimac Dr was sold to Papa, Kate-rina and Ayandeh, Armon by Smith, Tyshawn T and Smith, Courtney for \$1,150,000 on 09/01/22

29-31 Newton Ave was sold to Shaw, Stephen M and Shaw, Nancy E by Reynolds, Charles D for \$210,000 on 08/30/22

47 Pleasant St was sold to Stellson LLC by Ryan, Thomas and Ryan, Donna E for \$250,000 on 08/31/22

91 Prospect Hill Dr was sold to Raghavan, Balaji and Balaji, Jaishree by Cai, Jie for \$1,100,000 on 09/01/22

130 Prospect Hill Dr was sold to Paudel, Sagar and Acharya, Shanta by Mohammad, Nadeem for \$980,000 on 08/31/22

53 Quail Run #53 was sold to Patel, Pathik by Humphreys, Lori for \$400,000 on 09/01/22

1102 South St was sold to Brennan, Brandi and Brennan, Robert F by Norton Diane C Est and Norton, Jennifer for \$450,000 on 09/02/22

109 Walnut Rd was sold to Blaisdell, Mark by Pepe, Nicholas and Pepe, Jessica L for \$600,000 on 08/31/22

58 Water St was sold to John Paul Properties LLC by Phipps, Phyllis A for \$230,000 on 09/01/22

346 Whipple Rd was sold to Asingwire, Derrick and Asingwire, Esther by Riley, Kevin P and Riley, Silvina E for \$720,000 on 09/02/22

### WAKEFIELD

378 Albion St was sold to Mansfield, Melanie A and Finocchio, Bailey F by Montone, Christine for \$550,200 on 09/01/22

26 Atwood Ave #A was sold to Piedra, Andres O and Piedra-Strein, Rachel by H B Development Corp for \$822,000 on 08/29/22

9 Elmcrest Rd was sold to Tocco, Stephen by Spang Jr, Robert C and Spang, Linda J for \$1,100,000 on 08/31/22

5 Mackenzie Ln was sold to Deleire, Joanelle and Deleire, Donald by Spadafora, George P and Spadafora, Diane C for \$865,000 on 08/31/22

294 Main St#15 was sold to Hagan, Christopher F by Hagan, Timothy F and Hagan, Lynn A for \$322,000 on 09/02/22

642 Main St #203 was sold to Hook 3rd, Edward A by Minichiello, Paul for \$524,000 on 08/29/22

526 North Ave was sold to Buonfiglio, Victor P and Johnson, Tia R by Latorella, Jayme for \$660,000 on 09/02/22

241 Pleasant St was sold to Nguyen, Quang V and Ho, Thu A by McDonnell, Liam A and McDonnell, Megan or \$599,000 on 09/02/22

58 Spring St was sold to Christenson, Quin and Wilk, Anna M by S A Breault T and Breault, Sheila A for \$840,000 on 09/01/22

24 W Park Dr was sold to Dong, Fei and Zhao, Meng J by Don Q RE Development LLC and Saturn Realty Group LLC for \$891,000 on 08/31/22

### WILMINGTON

9 Cottage Ave was sold to Edalatpour, Badrie by Moakley Theresa J Est and Moakley, William E for \$460,000 on 09/01/22

4 Jewel Dr #4 was sold to DG Broker LLC by Ahlin Paul M Est and Ahlin, Lisa M for \$340,000 on 08/30/22

441 Middlesex Ave was sold to Laughlin, James and Laughlin, Kaela by Stati-res, Nicholas and Stati-res, Christina for \$725,000 on 08/31/22

448 Middlesex Ave was sold to Boudot, Antoine J and Rochard, Lucie J by Wiles, Michael V and Proetzel, Gabriele for \$1,040,000 on 08/30/22

102 Sandy Ln was sold to Swinford, Brandon C and Poole, Chloe M by Ghaswala,

Shameer and Shaikh, Homayra for \$550,000 on 08/30/22

4 Strout Ave was sold to Sheehan, Paul F and Sheehan, Blanche V by Attura, Thomas P and Attura, Ashley E for \$651,000 on 08/31/22

2 Summer St was sold to Nicolas, Jamie R and Nicolas, James B by Finn 3rd, Gerald E for \$704,777 on 08/30/22

### WINCHESTER

7 Conant Rd was sold to #3 was sold to Braga, Margaret A by Prizio, Kathleen and Prizio, Miranda for \$715,000 on 09/01/22

32 Grayson Rd was sold to Allen, Samuel H and Allen, Rebecca L by Zuber, Stephen M and Bell, Jill A for \$1,320,000 on 08/31/22

41 Jefferson Rd was sold to Arora, Vikram and Mackie-Arora, Caroline by Price, Allison for \$1,650,000 on 08/29/22

133 Johnson Rd #1890 was sold to Thin Water LLC by Cortizas FT and Cortizas, Anthony P for \$1,620,000 on 08/31/22

1 Lowell Ave #1 was sold to Acera School Inc by 1 Lowell Avenue T and Bosworth, Andrew for \$1,400,000 on 08/29/22

11 Niles Ln was sold to Mao, Xiaohua by Amineni Construction LLC for \$2,900,000 on 08/31/22

512 S Border Rd was sold to Mooraj, Abbas and Rahimtoola, Minal by Smith, Gideon P for \$1,800,000 on 08/30/22

28 Water St #28 was sold to Raffa, Jesse D and Wang, Qin by Marchant, Jason and Marchant, Zeina for \$670,000 on 08/30/22

4-6 Wedge Pond Rd was sold to Carlisle, Brian C and Carlisle, Amy B by Kuhn, Richard and Kuhn, Marcia for \$2,100,000 on 08/29/22

89 Wildwood St was sold to Salem St Consortium LLC by Gateley Joseph M Est and Gately, Kelly A for \$850,000 on 08/31/22

### WOBURN

80 N Warren St #39 was sold to Stefanov, Petar S by Saakian, Santought and Saakian, Garnik for \$350,000 on 08/25/22

4 Sunnyside Rd was sold to Souza, Nayara O by Sunnyside Road RT and Mawn, John E for \$690,000 on 08/24/22

13 W Dexter Ave #2 was sold to Omalley, Evan and Omalley, Amanda by Annunziata Jr, Francesco and Annunziata, Jessica L for \$645,000 on 08/22/22

74 Beach St #5-8 was sold to Tavis, Bryan by 74 Beach Street 5-8 LLC for \$280,000 on 08/30/22

13 Blueberry Hill Rd was sold to Vlahakis RT and Vlahakis, Acervi G by Petelle, Paul

and Petelle, Gail for \$725,000 on 08/30/22

269 Cambridge Rd #101 was sold to Mansfield, Jacqueline E by Sylva, Jill E for \$318,500 on 08/29/22

273 Cambridge Rd #503 was sold to Xu, Die J by 273 Cambridge Road RT and Donovaro, Mark for \$315,000 on 09/02/22

5 Colony Rd was sold to Amorim, Andreza S by Nicolas FT by Nicolas, James B for \$550,000 on 08/30/22

20 Fairway Dr was sold to Smith, Robert E and Smith, Jane A by V Deangelis Test T and Deangelis, Todd C for \$928,500 on 08/31/22

26 Ferullo Dr was sold to Ma, Junfen and Zhang, Yongxiang by Shannon Farm Estates LLC for \$1,650,000 on 08/31/22

Holton St was sold to C R Whitten GST T and Whitten 2nd, Robinson S by C R Whitten GST T and Whitten, David D for \$4,200,000 on 08/31/22

3 Johnsons Grant #3 was sold to Morrill, Van and Lemons, Katharine by Vidya-murthy, Ganapathy for \$505,000 on 08/30/22

81 Lexington St was sold to Berisha, Mentor and Berisha, Nerimane by Khan, Sarosh R and Saeed, Dure S for \$669,000 on 09/02/22

299 Lexington St #16 was sold to Balfour, Kimberly E by Zaffiro, Deborah for \$1,235,000 on 08/29/22

1077 Main St was sold to Shrestha, Abhyash and Shrestha, Ramkaji by Woburn Main St 1077 LLC for \$495,000 on 08/31/22

15 Maywood Ter was sold to Ko, Tak and Chang, Suna by Graceffa, Christina and Reidy, Michael A for \$590,000 on 09/02/22

15 Minchin Dr was sold to Lawrence, Stephen A and Lawrence, Michelle L by Edelberg, Kyle and Gebauer, Ariana for \$976,000 on 08/30/22

323 Place Ln #323 was sold to Wang, Jiepeng and Xia, Yuan by Pike, Sheryl L and Okeefe, Betsy P for \$435,000 on 08/31/22

49 Prospect St was sold to Cardillo, Arianna and Barzey, Walden by Huvila, Christian L and Huvila, Carmelina for \$755,000 on 08/31/22

13 Richmond Ave was sold to Chamberlain, David and Chamberlain, Amy L by Canty, Marie and Spinazola, James for \$765,000 on 08/30/22

7 Spring Ct #2 was sold to Wang, Aijia and Charlton-Foo, Yong J by Strode, Pamela for \$800,000 on 08/30/22

53 Sylvanus Wood Ln was sold to Boisvert 3rd, Richard and Guarino, Mikaela by Guarino 2016 IRT and Hudson, Maria for \$722,000 on 08/30/22

9 Winning Farm Rd #9 was sold to Trivedi, Romil and Agarwal, Nidhi by Mehta, Krunal and Shah, Darshi for \$890,101 on 09/02/22

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